

F E E S I N C O U R T S O F J U S T I C E .

RETURNS to Orders of The Honourable House of Commons,
of 31 March & 2 May 1814;—for

A Return of any INCREASE of Rate of the FEES demanded and received in the several Superior Courts of Justice, Civil or Ecclesiastical, in *The United Kingdom*, by the Judges and Officers of such Courts, during twenty Years, on the several Proceedings in the same; together with a Statement of the Authority under which such Increase has taken place.

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*Ordered, by The House of Commons, to be printed,
15 May & 11 July 1814.*

Jens, 31^e die Martij 1814.

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J. LEY,
Cl. D. Dom. Cons.

Luxer, 2^e die Majj 1814.

ORDERED,

THAT the said Return be laid before this House forthwith.

J. LEY,
Cl. D. Dom. Cons.

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I.—ENGLAND.

COURT OF CHANCERY.

(1.)—Lord Chancellor.

THERE has not been, to my knowledge, any Increase of the rate of the Fees demanded and received in the Court of Chancery, by or for the Lord Chancellor, during twenty years.

Copies of the Order of the House of Commons of the 10th day of May last, have been directed to be delivered to the several Persons who may be considered as Officers of the Court of Chancery; and it is understood that the Returns of such of them, as have not yet delivered Returns to the House, are preparing, in order to be so delivered.

ELDON, C.

(2.)—Master of the Rolls.

NO Increase has taken place, within the last twenty years, in the Fees of the Master of the Rolls, or of any Officers that belong to his Court, as distinct from the Court of Chancery.

W. GRANT.

(3.)—Inrolment Office in the High Court of Chancery, in the Department of the Master of the Rolls.

THE Fees of this Office have had no alteration during the last twenty years, except as to Fees paid on levelling Assurances, according to an Act passed in the last Session of Parliament.

John Milford,
Deputy Clerk of Inrolments, in the High
Court of Chancery.

(4.)—Secretary to the Lord Chancellor.

IN obedience to an Order of the Honourable House of Commons, dated Monday the sixteenth day of May last; I do hereby certify, That no increase of the rate of Fees demanded and received in my said Office, hath taken place since the year one thousand eight hundred and seven, when I was appointed to the said Office; but that the Fees, now demanded and received, are the same as were ordered to be taken by my Lord Chancellor's secretary, by an Order of the High Court of Chancery, dated the twenty-eighth day of November one thousand seven hundred and forty-three.

16th June 1814.

James Farrer,
Secretary to the Lord Chancellor.

(5.)—Gentlemen of the Chamber to the Lord Chancellor.

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, bearing date June, 10th die Maii 1814; I do hereby certify, That no Increase of the rate of Fees demanded and received hath taken place in my Office during twenty years.

15th June 1814.

T. Hand.

(6.)—Purse Bearer to the Lord Chancellor.

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, dated June 10th die Maii 1814; I do hereby certify, That no Increase of the rate of Fees demanded and received in my Office, hath taken place during twenty years.

17th June 1814.

T. Hand.

(7.)—*Sergeant at Arms attending the Great Seal.*

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, bearing date June, 16th die Maii 1814; I do hereby certify, That no Increase of rate of the Fees demanded and received in my said Office, hath taken place during twenty years.

Dated this 15th day of June 1814.

W. Walton,
Sergeant at Arms.

(8.)—*Messenger or Pursuivant attending the Great Seal.*

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, of the 16th May 1814; I humbly certify, That no Increase of the rate of Fees demanded or received by or for the Messenger or Pursuivant attending the Great Seal, has taken place within the last twenty years;—this being the 18th day of June 1814.

G. Staigforth.

(9.)—*Masters in Chancery.*

IN pursuance of an Order of the Honourable House of Commons, made the thirty-first day of March last, and which by a subsequent Order of the sixteenth day of May last, has been sent to the Lord High Chancellor, and by his Lordship communicated to us; We the undersigned Masters in Ordinary of the High Court of Chancery, and the Accountant General of the said Court, humbly certify, That no Increase of the rate of any Fees demanded and received by us, has taken place during twenty years.

W. Smith, Acc^l General,
J. Campbell,
P. P. Stratford,
J. S. Harvey,

R. Steele,
Edw^l Morris,
Chas^l Thomson,
Wm^l Alexander.

(10.)—*Accountant General.*

IN obedience to an Order of the Honourable House of Commons, dated the 17th day of June, instant, I humbly certify, That there is no Fund called "the Dead Fund of the Court of Chancery;" but the Fund which I understand to be meant by that description in the said Order, is the Cash belonging to the Sutors of the said Court, in the hands of the Bank of England, as the Banker of that Court; the amount of which cash is continually paying, by the payment into the Bank, on the one hand, of monies ordered to be brought into Court, and of Dividends received upon Stock belonging to the said Sutors; and by the payments made by the Bank, on the other hand, of sums ordered by the Court to be paid to the Sutors or to their use, or to be invested in the purchase of Stock on their account, or appointed by Acts of Parliament to be paid out of the said cash in the Bank, for the support of various establishments of the said Court.

That the amount of the said cash, on the general balance stated between the Accountant General's Office and the Bank, on the 1st day of October last, was £. 155,365. 18. 4. and on the last monthly day of stating the same, viz. on the 31st day of May last, the amount thereof, was £. 413,821. 1. 4.

And I further humbly certify, That it is impossible to retain, as required by the said Order, the names of the persons to whom the said cash, now or at any time remaining in the hands of the Bank, is due and owing, or to whom the same belongs, the same being in effect the floating balance of a cash account between the Court of Chancery and the Bank of England, as its Bankers, which has progressively grown out of such receipts and payments as aforesaid, including former balances, from the time of the institution of the office of Accountant General of the said Court; and consequently, not only all the present Sutors of the Court of Chancery, comprising in that description all who have claims upon any money or stock or securities now standing in the name of the Accountant General, in the books of the Bank, (many of which claims are now the subject of litigation and enquiries depending in the said Court) but all persons now living, and the representatives of all persons now dead, who have in times past been Sutors or Claimants in respect of any such money, stock, or securities, heretofore so standing in the said books, are or may be interested in the said floating cash balances, if their rights therein could be distinguished and ascertained.

22 June 1814.

W. Smith,
Acc^l Gen^l of the Court of Chancery.

(11.)—Deputy Registrars of the High Court of Chancery.

THERE has not been any Increase of rate of the Fees demanded and received in the Office of Registrar of the above Court, during twenty years.

J. Crofts,
Thomas Walker,
T. A. Raynford,
Henry Barrons. } Deputy Registrars.

(12.)—Registrar of Affidavits.

IN obedience to an Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, I beg leave to state, That no Increase or Diminution whatever has taken place in the Fees charged and made payable in the Office of Registrar of Affidavits in the Court of Chancery, during the last twenty years.

James G. Selton,
Dep^y Reg^r Affid^s.

Affidavit Office, Symonds Inn,
17th June 1814.

(13.)—The Six Clerks in Chancery.

IN obedience to an Order of the Honourable House of Commons, made on Monday the 16th day of May 1814, the Six Clerks humbly return to the Honourable House, That no increase on any Proceedings in their Office has taken place within the above period, with respect to the Fees payable to the said Six Clerks or any of them:—But that an increase hath been made in several of the Fees payable to the Sworn Clerks and Waiting Clerks, in the Office of the said Clerks: And as the said Order has been communicated by the Lord Chancellor to the said Sworn Clerks and Waiting Clerks, the Six Clerks beg leave to refer to the Return to be made by the said Sworn Clerks and Waiting Clerks pursuant to the said Order, as to the increase made in their Fees.

Walden Henry Hawner,
for himself and the other Six Clerks.

Six Clerks Office,
16 June 1814.

(14.)—The Sworn Clerks and Waiting Clerks of the Court of Chancery.

IN pursuance of the Order of the Honourable House of Commons, dated the 31st day of March 1814, We humbly submit to your Lordship, That by an Order dated the 28th day of November, in the 17th year of the reign of his late Majesty King George the Second, 1743, made by the Right Honourable Philip Lord Hardwicke, Baron of Hardwicke in the County of Gloucester, then Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, by the authority of this Honourable Court, and by and with the advice and assistance of the Right Honourable William Fortescue then Master of the Rolls, did thereby order and direct,

"THAT the Sworn Clerks and Waiting Clerks do not demand to take any greater Fees or Reward for the business done or to be done by them in the Six Clerks Office, than the Fees and Rewards following.

The Sworn Clerks and Waiting Clerks Fees:		£.	s.	d.
For filing every Bill and for the Rule to answer, including the Term Fee and Stamps	- - - - -	0	5	4
For an Attachment	- - - - -	0	6	0
For every Proclamation and Distingas	- - - - -	0	6	4
For a Commission of Rebellion	- - - - -	0	19	4
For a Sequestration	- - - - -	0	15	4
For a Ne exeat Regimen	- - - - -	0	14	10
For a Habeas Corpus	- - - - -	0	14	9
For a Delinquit Petition to take an answer	- - - - -	0	9	4
For every Special Dedimus by Order of Court	- - - - -	0	12	8
For a Commission to examine Witnesses with the Schedule of Oaths	- - - - -	0	15	4
For joining in Commission to examine Witnesses, to the Clerk who joins in such Commissions only	- - - - -	0	6	8
For every Special Commission for dividing Lands and ascertaining Boundaries, or otherwise, Special by Order of Court	- - - - -	0	19	8
The Stamps and other Outgoings are included in this 19 s. 8 d.				
For every Writ of Execution upon an Order,				
If an Order of one side	- - - - -	0	6	8
If more	- - - - -	0	13	4
If longer, then per skin (besides Stamps)	- - - - -	1	6	8
Each skin to contain at least 16 sheets, and each sheet 50 words.				
For every common Injunction	- - - - -	1	2	8
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	£.	s.	d.
For every Special Injunction more than for the Common Injunction -	-	0	3 4
For every Term the Cause is in agitation, the Sworn Clerks on each side of the Cause are entitled to a Term Fee of -	-	0	3 4
For the appearance of every Defendant who appears separately by himself -	-	0	3 4
If two or three Defendants appear by the same Clerk, reckoning husband and wife as one, the Fee for appearing is but -	-	0	3 4
But if more than three, and not exceeding six Defendants appear together, the Appearance Fee is -	-	0	6 8
If more than six, the Appearance Fee is -	-	0	10 0
And so in proportion to the number of Defendants, reckoning 3 s. 4 d. for every three Defendants, man and wife shall computed but as one.			
For Copies of all Bills and Answers, Depositions and other Proceedings, for each sheet containing 15 lines, and 6 words in every line -	0	0	10
For a Rule to produce Witnesses or to pass Publication and Notice thereof, including the Stamp Duty -	0	4	4
For acting down a Cause for hearing before the Lord Chancellor or Master of the Rolls, by their Six Clerk, according to the right they claim for so doing, for each Cause so set down -	1	5	0
For Drawing and Inrolling Decrees and Dismissions (if not exceeding one skin) Out of which is paid to the Six Clerk 17 s. -	1	13	4
But if the Decree or Dismissal be longer than one Skin, then for drawing every sheet 8 d. and 8 d. per sheet inrolling, each sheet to contain 16 or 17 lines; and in such case the Suter pays the 17 s. to the Six Clerk.			
For a Writ of Execution of a Decree, for every Skin thereof, including the Parchment, but not the Stamps -	1	6	8
Each Skin to contain not less than 16 copy-sheets.			
For attending the Court on the day of hearing of every Cause wherein they are concerned -	-	0	6 8
And if the Cause is more than one day in Hearing, then for each day the Cause is actually in Hearing -	-	0	6 8
For every other Attendance in Court, when required by the proper Client or his Solicitor, but not otherwise -	-	0	6 8
For every Attendance on a Master on taxing of Costs -	-	0	6 8
For every Attendance on a Master on other occasions (except taxing Costs) by the direction or at the request of the proper Client or his Solicitor, if together with the Solicitor in the Cause -	-	0	3 4
If without the Solicitor, then -	-	0	6 8
But Note: This Fee of 3 s. 4 d. for any such Attendance on a Master if together with a Solicitor in the Cause, is only to be allowed by the Masters in taxing Costs between the Client and his Solicitor or Clerk in Court; but on taxing Costs between Party and Party, no Fee is to be allowed to the Sworn Clerk for any such attendance, together with the Solicitor in the Cause.			
For entering an Appearance for the Parties with the Register, according to any Order of Court -	-	0	3 4
For signing then Consent, as Clerk in Court, to any Petition, Agreement, or Election -	-	0	3 4
For every Certificate to be signed by the Six Clerk -	-	0	2 6
For examining all Copies of Bills, Answers, Depositions of Witnesses, Interrogatories and other Proceedings, with the Records, in order for Evidence, if 80 sheets or under -	-	0	6 8
But if more than 80 sheets, then after the rate of one penny per sheet -	-	0	0 1
For the Exemplification of every Record (besides the Stamps and Vellum, if writ on Vellum; the Master's Fee for examining, and Sworn Clerk's Fee for attending to examine; and Hammer Fee) for every skin thereof -	1	6	8
Out of which is paid to the Six Clerk -	-	0	14 0
To the Sworn Clerk -	-	0	12 8
	£.	1	6 8
Each Skin to contain at least 16 copy-sheets.			
For drawing and Ingrossing the Decree and Master's Certificate (besides the Stamp which is one Shilling) -	-	0	3 4
For attending the Masters to examine Exemplifications, that exceed not 3 Skins If more, then in proportion to 6 s. 8 d. for every 3 Skins.	-	0	6 8
For every Writ of Assistance to put the Defendants into Possession pursuant to a Decree -	-	0	16 4
For the Copies of all Deeds, Writings, Papers, Letters and Accounts left with any Clerk in Court, pursuant to an Order of Court, or referred to in any of the Pleadings, for each Sheet 4 d. -	-	0	0 4
For			

For every Attendance to produce such Deeds, Papers, Letters or Accounts <i>see</i> <i>L. s. d.</i>					
the adverse Party to inspect, if no Copy be taken - - - - -	o	6	8		
But if any Copy of such Deeds, Papers, &c. be taken, then nothing is to be taken for Inspection or Attendance thereon.					
For every Certiorari Proce ^{ss} endo and Supers ^{ede} ss - - - - -	o	8	8		

THAT the Sworn Clerks and Waiting Clerks do observe and perform the several Rules and Regulations following, viz.

" That all Copies of Schedules to Answers or other Proceedings, which contain Accounts and Inventories, be written in three columns; the first or outer column, and the third or last column whereof, are to contain respectively the dates and sums in figures as they are respectively written in the Ingrossment of such Schedules; and the middle column to contain four words in a line of the facts or matters charged in such Accounts or Inventories.

" Where any person entitled to Privilege of Parliament, pursuant to the Act of Parliament of the 13th and 15th of King William the Third, has been served with an Office Copy of the Bill, such person shall not be obliged to take out or pay for any other Copy of such Bill upon his appearance thereto."

THAT the Sworn Clerks and Waiting Clerks, ever since the date of the said Order, paid due obedience thereto; and no Increase of Rates of the Fees demanded and received by the Sworn Clerks and Waiting Clerks, for their own use, hath taken place since that time, until a subsequent Order of this Honourable Court, bearing date the 26th of February 1807, hereinafter particularly mentioned; they having only charged their Clients with such additional Stamp Duties as have been from time to time charged or imposed by authority of Parliament on the Proceedings of this Honourable Court.

That on the said 26th day of February 1807, an Order of this Honourable Court was made, to the following purport or effect:

" IN CHANCERY.

" ORDER of COURT.

" Thursday, the 26th day of February 1807.

" WHEREAS the Fees and Rewards taken by the Sworn Clerks and Waiting Clerks of this Court, for the business transacted by them, are of great antiquity: And whereas the same have been, at different times, regulated by the Orders of this Court, as occasion required: And whereas it hath been humbly represented, that by the great alteration of the times, and the heavy Stamp Duties, and various taxes, and other heavy charges and expenses of late years imposed, that the present Fees and Rewards allowed and taken under the Orders of the Court, are greatly inadequate to the duties to be performed by them, and to the support and maintenance of the Procurers of a liberal profession: And it being for the benefit of the Sutors, that skilful and proper persons should be encouraged in the due and faithful discharge of the duties of those Officers, by a reasonable recompence and reward for their services; and the Right Honourable Thomas Lord Erskine, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, having taken the matters aforesaid into his serious consideration, and a Schedule of the increased Fees hereunder written and subscribed by the Sworn Clerks and Waiting Clerks having been humbly submitted to his Lordship, who being of opinion, the same are just and reasonable; IT is therefore, this present 26th day of February, in the 47th year of the reign of His Majesty King George the III^d, and in the year of our Lord 1807, Ordered and Decreed by the said Lord Erskine Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, by and with the advice and assistance of the Right Honourable Sir William Grant, Knight, Master of the Rolls, that the said Schedule of Fees be adopted; and that all Officers, Ministers, Clerks and other persons belonging to this Court, and others whom it may concern, do observe and pay obedience hereto: And it is further Ordered, That this Order be entered with the Register, and that Copies of the said Schedule of Fees be forthwith written on Parchment in a fair legible hand, and set up in the Offices of the Six Clerks and Register, and in the other Offices of this Court, to which recourse may be had on all necessary occasions; and that the said Schedule of Fees have commencement from the 26th day of February in the year of our Lord 1807.

Est^d J. D.

Erskine, C.

W. Grant, M. R.

The SCHEDULE to which the foregoing Order and Decree refers,

For entering in the Office and Clerk in Courts Books, the Parties Names, and	<i>L. s. d.</i>				
filling every Bill, exclusive of Term Fee - - - - -	-	o	7	4	
For an Attachment - - - - -	-	o	12	8	
For an Attachment with Proclamations or Distringas - - - - -	-	o	13	11	
For a Commission of Rebellion - - - - -	-	1	7	10	
For a Sequestration - - - - -	-	1	3	2	
For a Ne exeat Regiao - - - - -	-	1	2	5	
For a Habeas Corpus - - - - -	-	1	1	7	

For

	£.	s.	d.
For a <i>Defensus</i> to take an Answer - - - - -	0	10	11
For every Special <i>Defensus</i> , by Order of Court - - - - -	1	3	7
For drawing, impressing and filing a Replication - - - - -	0	12	8
For a Commission to examine Witnesses with the Schedule of Oaths - - - - -	1	6	9
For joining in Commission on behalf of the Plaintiff for the examination of Witness, if with amice Clerks in Court for Defendants than one - - - - -	0	6	8
And for the Examinations, each set who shall join therein - - - - -	0	6	8
For every Special Commission for dividing Lands - - - - -	1	6	10
For every common Injunction - - - - -	1	14	10
For every Special Injunction more than the common, when the same does not exceed 20 folios - - - - -	0	6	8
For drawing and impressing Special Injunction and <i>Docquet</i> , when the same exceeds 20 folios, exclusive of Parchment and Duty, &c. per folio - - - - -	0	1	4
For every Term the Cause is in agitation, a Term Fee of - - - - -	0	6	8
For entering the Appearance of every Defendant, who appears separately, exclusive of the Term Fee - - - - -	0	6	8
For entering the Appearance of more than three Defendants, then at the rate of 6s. 8d. for every three Defendants (exclusive of the Term Fee) - - - - -	0	6	8
For office copies of Bills, Answers, Exceptions, Depositions, and other Records, including duty and paper, per folio - - - - -	0	1	2
For filing every joint or separate Plea, Answer or Demurrer (exclusive of the Term Fee) - - - - -	0	3	4
For giving and entering every Rule, exclusive of duty - - - - -	0	7	8
For every day a Cause is in the paper for hearing - - - - -	0	3	4
For every day a Cause, Appeal, Re-hearing, or further Directions shall be in Hearing, or in the Paper after part heard - - - - -	0	6	8
For every day a Plea, Demurrer or Exceptions shall be in Hearing, or in the Paper after part heard - - - - -	0	6	8
For every other Attendance in Court, when required by the proper Client or Solicitor, but not otherwise - - - - -	0	13	4
For entering an Appearance for the Parties, with the Register, according to any Order of Court - - - - -	0	6	8
For signing a Consent to any Petition, Agreement, Election, or to enlarge Publication, or to pass same - - - - -	0	6	8
For every Certificate to be signed by the Six Clerk - - - - -	0	3	4
For examining all Copies with the Records, in order for Evidence, for each Examination, if 40 sheets or under - - - - -	0	6	8
But if more than 40 sheets, then for examining each sheet - - - - -	0	0	2
For the Exemplification of every Record, per skin (exclusive of Vellum, Parchment and Duty, &c.) - - - - -	1	13	4
For drawing and impressing the <i>Docquet</i> and Master's Certificate - - - - -	0	6	8
For every Writ of Assistance to put the Party into possession pursuant to a Decree, &c. - - - - -	1	6	6
For copies of all Deeds, Writings, Papers, Letters and Accounts, left with the Clerk in Court, pursuant to an Order of Court, or referred to in any of the Findings, for each sheet - - - - -	0	0	6
For every Customary <i>Procedenda</i> or <i>Supersedens</i> - - - - -	0	18	10
For every attendance at Westminster on the appointment of a Guardian - - - - -	0	13	4
For every attendance at Lincoln's-inn Hall or the Rolls, for the like purpose - - - - -	0	6	8
For taking off the File, pursuant to order, any Record, and for attending with the same in Court, at the Rolls, or the Master's, &c. - - - - -	0	13	4
For attending with the same in any other Court or place in London or Westminster, per day - - - - -	2	2	0
For every attendance with the same in the Country, at the rate of two guineas per day, exclusive of expenses - - - - -	2	2	0
For amending the Record of a Bill where the same is not a new Ingrossment - - - - -	0	11	4
For amending every Office Copy of a Bill - - - - -	0	6	8
For every other Fee not mentioned, as heretofore.			

Ent^d J. D.

ERRIKIN, C.

W. GRANT, M. R."

THAT in pursuance of the last-mentioned Order of the 16th of February 1807, the Sworn Clerks and Waiting Clerks now claim and receive from their Clients, the several Fees and Rewards in the said Order mentioned.—All which we humbly certify to your Lordship.—Dated this 16th day of June 1814.

J. Cottrell.

Geo. Jackson.

Darcy Tancred.

J^r Bomes.

J. G. Shadduck.

J. Fraser.

J^r Radcliffe.

Joseph Bucknell.

Richard Moll.

Rob^t Womersley.

Cres. Fox Hyllegreen.

J^r S. Smith.

Th^s Smith.

(15).—Examiners.

IN obedience to an Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, bearing date 31st March 1814, the Examiners of His Majesty's High Court of Chancery humbly return, under and by virtue of an Order of the said Court of Chancery, bearing date the 22d day of April 1811, made in pursuance of an Act of Parliament made and passed in the fifty-first year of His present Majesty's reign, intitled, "An Act for Building certain Offices for the Examiners, Clerks of the Crown, and Clerks of the Petty Bag of the High Court of Chancery, and for making certain regulations in the Examiner's Office of the said Court, and for making Provision for such of the Examiners, Deputy Examiners and Clerks, as from length of Service, or from Age or Indiscreetly, are or shall be incapacitated from the due execution of their offices, and for making Provision for other Officers of the said Court, and for making other Payment in respect of the said Officers," there has been an Increase made of the rate of Fees received by the said Examiners, as hereunder appears.

	Fees to be paid to the Examiner			Out of which the Examiner is to pay the Copying Clerk			Rate of Increase.		
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Filing Interrogatories	0	7	4	0	1	0	0	7	4
Office Copy, beside Stamp, per folio	0	1	3	0	0	3	0	0	1
Every Witness sworn and examined, including Oath, but exclusive of Duty	0	5	0	0	1	0	—	—	—
Every Certificate signed by Examiner	0	3	4	0	1	0	0	0	4
Every Witness re-sworn, including Oath	0	3	0	0	1	0	—	—	—
Ditto Sworn and not examined, including Oath	0	5	0	0	1	0	—	—	—
Ditto Sworn and examined abroad (besides Coach-hire and reasonable Expenses)	1	7	8	0	6	8	0	11	0
If more than five Miles from the Examiner's Office, for the first day	0	15	4	0	15	4	1	1	0
For every other day	2	3	0	—	—	—	2	2	0
Every Witness examined on close Holidays	1	7	8	0	6	8	0	11	0
Attending the Lord Chancellor or Master of the Rolls with Record, per day	1	1	0	—	—	—	0	11	0
Ditto any Master at his Office	0	10	6	—	—	—	0	10	6
Ditto with Record in any other Court or place in London or Westminster, per day	1	1	0	—	—	—	0	11	0
If in the Country, per day (besides Expenses)	2	3	0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Inspection of Depositions	0	6	8	0	3	4	—	—	—
Drawing every folio of Deposition where no Office Copy taken where two Terms shall have elapsed without Examination of any Witness, besides Duty	0	0	10	—	—	—	0	0	10
(This is to be deducted if Office Copy be afterwards taken.)									
The following FEES are to be paid to the Copying Clerk; viz.									
Every Witness sworn abroad, besides Coach-hire and Expenses	—	—	—	0	6	8	—	—	0
But if more than five Miles distant from the Examiner's Office	—	—	—	0	13	4	—	—	0
Every Interrogatory added	—	—	—	0	1	0	—	—	0
Separate Notice	—	—	—	0	1	0	—	—	0
Examining Copy Depositions with Record to prove on Trial at Law, if 40 sheets or under	—	—	—	0	6	8	A gross sum of 10s. 2d. is to be charged instead of these Fees.		
Ditto if more than 40 sheets, for each sheet	—	—	—	0	0	2			
Searching Book for Causes	—	—	—	0	1	0	—	—	—
Ditto for Depositions	—	—	—	0	2	6	—	—	—

Thos. Pierce, }
J. N. Denton. } Examiners.

(16).—Corporation of Councillors of the High Court of Chancery.

THE Councillors in Chancery, in obedience to the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, dated the sixteenth day of May 1814, have to state, That no Increase of the rate of Fees, demanded and received by the Councillors in Chancery, has taken place within the last twenty years.

Richard Smith Appleyard,
Principal.

(17.)—Crown Office in Chancery.

THE Deputy Clerk of the Crown, pursuant to an Order of the House of Commons, dated the 16th day of May 1814, returns to that Honourable House, That there has not been any Increase or Diminution whatever has taken place in the Fees charged and made payable in the Office of the Keeper or Clerk of His Majesty's Hanaper in Chancery, during twenty years, on the several Proceedings in the same.

Thomas Rashleigh.

(18.)—Keeper or Clerk of the Hanaper.

IN obedience to an Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, We beg leave to state, That no Increase or Diminution whatever has taken place in the Fees charged and made payable in the Office of the Keeper or Clerk of His Majesty's Hanaper in Chancery, during twenty years last past and upwards.

17th June 1814. }
Hanaper Office, Adelphi.

John Seton,
James G. Seton,
Deputy Clerks Han.

(19.)—Prothonotary of the Court of Chancery.

IN obedience to an Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, I beg leave to state, That no Increase or Diminution whatever has taken place in the Fees charged and made payable in the Office of Prothonotary of the Court of Chancery, since the appointment of Mr. Thomas Tharlow thereto; and I believe no Increase or Diminution whatever has taken place during twenty years last past.

Saml. Foster,
Agent for Mr. Tharlow.

(20.)—Receiver of the Fines in the High Court of Chancery.

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, dated the 16th day of May 1814; I do hereby certify, That no Increase of the rate of Fees demanded and received in my Office, hath taken place during twenty years.

21st June 1814.

J^s Fanshawe.

(21.)—Clerks of the Petty Bag.

IN obedience to an Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, of 31 March 1814. The Clerks of the Petty Bag Office, in His Majesty's High Court of Chancery, humbly return, That there has not been any such Increase of the rate of Fees, demanded and received in their Office, during twenty years.

P. Parry.
L. Darn.
J. Bentall.

(22.)—Inrollments in Chancery.

THE Return of the Clerk of Inrollments of Proceedings in Bankruptcy, in the High Court of Chancery, to an Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, dated the 31st day of March 1814; humbly states, That in this Office no Increase of rate in the Fees have been demanded and received, on the several Proceedings therein, during the last twenty years.

16th June 1814.

Henry E. Church,
Clerk of Inrollments in Bankruptcy.

(23.)—Chiff Wax.

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, dated 10th de Mai 1814; I do hereby certify, That no Increase of the rate of Fees, demanded and received, hath taken place in my Office during twenty years.

15th June 1814.

W. Pyc,
Chiff Wax in Chancery.

(24.)—Sixpenny Writ.

IN obedience to an Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, I beg leave to state, That no Increase of the rate of Fees, demanded and received by me in my Office, has taken place within the last twenty years.

Jas Sayers,

34 Cannon-street;
17th June 1814.

Receiver of the Sixpenny Writ
Duty in Chancery.

(25.)—Clerk of the Chancery Subpoena Office.

IN conformity to an Order of the Honourable House of Commons, of the 31st day of March last, I have to return, That the Stamp Duty on a Subpoena or Subpoenas, issuing out of the High Court of Chancery twenty years ago, was Two Shillings and Sixpence, and the Fee for making out the same was Two Shillings and Sixpence, and for every loose label Sixpence; and the Stamp is now Five Shillings on every Subpoena as aforesaid, and the Fee remains the same.

Wm. Hardisty,

June 17th 1814.

Clerk of the Chancery Subpoena Office.

(26.)—Sealer to the Great Seal.

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, bearing date June, 15th die Maii 1814; I do hereby certify, That no Increase of rate of the Fees, demanded and received, hath taken place in my Office since June 1809, being the date of my succession to the said office.

Robt Hand.

Dated 15 June 1814.

(27.)—Tipstaff to the High Court of Chancery.

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, of 16th May 1814, *Thomas Allen*, Tipstaff attending the High Court of Chancery of Great Britain, humbly states, That he was appointed to the above situation five years ago, and that no increased rate of the Fees has been at any period demanded or received by him as such Tipstaff, since such appointment.

20th June 1814.

Thomas Allen.

(28.)—Doorkeeper of the Court of Chancery.

IN obedience to the Orders of the Honourable the House of Commons, dated the 3rd of March and 16th of May 1814;—*James Hooper*, Doorkeeper of the Court of Chancery, humbly states, That he the said James Hooper was appointed to the above office on the twenty-first day of April 1814, and that no increased rate of the Fees has been demanded and received by him as such Doorkeeper; and that to the best of his knowledge information and belief, no increased rate of Fees has been demanded and received by his predecessors as such Doorkeepers, during twenty years last past.

20th June 1814.

Jas Hooper,
Doorkeeper of the Court of Chancery.

(29.)—Crier of the Court of Chancery at Westminster.

IN obedience to the Orders of the Honourable the House of Commons, dated 31st March and the 16th May 1814;—*Charles Lewis*, Crier to the Court of Chancery at Westminster, humbly states, That there has been no increased rate of the Fees demanded and received by me the said Charles Lewis, as Crier to the Court of Chancery.

(30.)—Keeper of the Court of Chancery at Westminster.

IN obedience to the Orders of the Honourable the House of Commons, dated the 31st of March and 16th of May 1814;—*Thomas Lewis*, Keeper of the Court of Chancery at Westminster, humbly states, That there has not been any increased rate of the Fees demanded and received by him the said Thomas Lewis as such Court Keeper, during twenty years last past.

(31.)—Usher of the Court of Chancery.

IN obedience to an Order of the Honourable House of Commons to me, as Usher of the High Court of Chancery of Great Britain, and Usher of the Rolls, to make a Return of any Increase of rate of the Fees demanded and received by me during twenty years, on the several Proceedings in the High Court of Chancery, and at the Rolls, together with a Statement of the Authority under which such Increase has taken place;—I am to state to the Honourable House of Commons, That no Increase of rate of Fees has taken place during twenty years, in my Office of Usher of the Court of Chancery, and of the Rolls.

18th June 1814.

Rich^d Critchett.

(32.)—Secretary of Briefs.

IN pursuance of an Order of the Honourable House of Commons, bearing date the 18th day of May 1814; I hereby certify, That I have held the Office of Secretary of Briefs to the Right Honourable the Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, upwards of thirty years, during which time there has been no Increase of Fees in my department.

22d June 1814.

John Nares.

(33.)—Deputy Clerk of the Faculties.

IN pursuance of an Order of the Honourable House of Commons, made on the 31st day of March last; I humbly certify, That there has not been any Increase of rate of Fees demanded or received by the Clerk of the Faculties for Dispensations, &c. for these twenty years last past.

20th June 1814.

Edw^d Goddard,
Dep^y Clerk of the Faculties, New Court, Temple.

(34.)—Secretary of Lunatics.

IN pursuance of an Order of the House of Commons, dated the 31st day of March last; I do hereby certify, That no Increase whatever has, to my knowledge or belief, taken place in the rate of Fees demanded and received on the several Proceedings in my Office, as Secretary of Lunatics to the Lord Chancellor, since my appointment to that Office in the month of April 1797. Dated this 17th day of June 1814.

T. Carr,
Secretary of Lunatics to the Lord Chancellor.

(35.)—Deputy Clerk of the Custodies of Idiots and Lunatics.

IN pursuance of an Order of the Honourable House of Commons, made on the 31st day of March last, I humbly certify, That there has not been any Increase of rate of Fees demanded or received by the Clerk of the Custodies of Idiots and Lunatics, for these twenty years last past.

20th June 1814.

Edw^d Goddard,
Dep^y Clerk of the Custodies, New Court, Temple.

(36.)—Patentee of Bankrupts.

THE Return of Edward Lord Thurlow, Patentee of the Office for the execution of the Laws concerning Bankrupts, to an Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, of the 31st day of March last;—No Increase of any of the Fees on the several Proceedings in the Patentee Office for executing the Laws respecting Bankrupts, has been demanded and received by the Patentee of the said Office, during twenty years last past.

John Foster,
Deputy of the said Edward Lord Thurlow.

(37.)—Secretary of Bankrupts.

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, dated the 16th day of May 1814:—*Henry Edward Church*, Under Secretary of Bankrupts, humbly states, That the office of Secretary of Bankrupts is at present vacant, by the death of *Henry Baurell*, Esquire, who died a few days ago.

The said *Henry Edward Church* further humbly states, That no Increase of rate in the Fees has been demanded and received, on the several Proceedings in the said Office, by the Secretary of Bankrupts, for the last twenty years.

Henry E. Church,
Under Secretary.

20th June 1814.

(38.)—Examiner of the Letters Patents, &c.

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable House of Commons, dated the 16th day of May 1814:—*Thomas Lloyd*, Examiner of the Letters Patents, and other things passing the Great Seal, has to state, That no Increase of Fees demanded and received by the Examiner of Letters Patents, and other things passing the Great Seal, has taken place within the last twenty years.

Thos Lloyd.

26th June 1814.

(39.)—Clerk of the Letters Patents.

IN obedience to an Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, I beg leave to state, That no Increase or Diminution whatever has taken place in the Fees charged and made payable in the Office of Clerk of the Letters Patent in Chancery, during twenty years last past.

Jas Seton,
Clerk of C. Patents.

(40.)—Secretary of Injunctions, &c.

THE Return of *Wm F. Sarters*, as Secretary of Injunctions, and Clerk of Appeals in the Court of Chancery, to the Order made by the Honourable House of Commons, dated the 16th of May 1814:—That the Fees due to the said Offices in their Rate have not, for the last twenty years, increased.

Wm F. Sarters.

(41.)—Secretary of Commissions to the Lord Chancellor.

THE Return of *William Wejait*, the Secretary of Commissions to the Lord High Chancellor, to the Order made by the Honourable the House of Commons, dated the 16th day of May 1814:—That upon enquiry at the Crown Office, where the Fees due to the Secretary to the Commission of the Peace have been received for above twenty years last past, it appears that no Increase in the rate of such Fees has been demanded or received.

W. Wejait,
Sec. to the Court of the Peace.

(42.)—Clerk of the Briefs.

HAVING been served this day, by direction of the Lord Chancellor, with copy of an Order of the House of Commons, made upon the 16th day of May last, referring to an Order made upon the 31st day of March immediately preceding:—I do hereby certify, in obedience to their Order, That no Increase of rate of the Fees received in the Office of Clerk of the Briefs, has taken place within the twenty years thus pointed out.

33, Red Lion Square,
June 20, 1814.

G. Humphrys,
Clerk of the Briefs.

(43.)—Clerk of Presentations.

THE Return of *Wm Welch*, Deputy to Lord Thurlow, Clerk of Presentations, to the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, of the 16th of May last;—humbly certifying, That he has held the situation of Deputy to the Clerk of Presentations since the Month of March 1809; That there has been no Increase of the Fees demanded or received in the said Office, since the above date; nor has there been any within the last twenty years, as he has been enabled to ascertain by looking over his Father's books, who held the situation before him.

Wm Welch,
Dep^y Clerk of Presentations.

(44.)—Secretary of Presentations.

THE Return of *Richard Barden*, Secretary of Presentations to the Lord Chancellor, to the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, of the 16th of May last;—humbly certifying, That he was appointed Secretary of Presentations to the Lord Chancellor, in the month of April 1813, That there has been no Increase of the Fees demanded or received in the said Office, since his appointment; nor has there been any within the last twenty years, as he has been informed and believes.

Rich^d Barden.

(45.)—Keeper of the Records in The Tower.

I do hereby humbly certify and return to the Honourable House of Commons, That no Increase has taken place in the rate of Fees demanded and taken in the Record Office at the Tower, since the year 1745, when an Order was made by Lord Chancellor Hardwicke, and *William Fortescue*, Esquire, Master of the Rolls, specifying what those Fees should be. Dated the 22d day of June 1814.

Saml Lysons,
Keeper of the Records in The Tower.

COURT OF KING'S BENCH.

—(1.)—

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable House of Commons, bearing date the 31st day of March last, I, *EDWARD LORD ELLENBOROUGH*, Chief Justice of the Court of King's Bench in England, do certify and return, That no Increase whatever, of the rate of Fees payable or paid, for, in, or in respect of the said Office, have been, to the best of my knowledge and belief, ever demanded or received, during twenty years, on any Proceedings in the same.

St. James's Square,
May 10, 1814.

ELLENBOROUGH.

—(2.)—

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, bearing date the 31st day of March last, I beg leave to state, That there has not been, to my knowledge, any Increase of rate of Fees demanded or received by me as one of the *Passes Judges* of the Court of King's Bench at Westminster, during the last twenty years.

11th May 1814.

S. LE BLANC.

—(3.)—

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable House of Commons, of the 31st day of March last, I hereby certify and return, That there has been no Increase of rate within twenty years, to the best of my knowledge or belief, of any Fee demanded or received by or for me as one of the Judges of His Majesty's Court of King's Bench: And I further certify, That I had no Notice of the said Order until Friday last, nor any Copy thereof till yesterday. Dated 12th May 1814.

J. BAYLY.

—(4.)—

I do not know, nor have I ever heard, of any Increase of rate of the Fees, mentioned in the Order of the Honourable House of Commons, dated 31 March 1814, during twenty years.

May 12th, 1814.

H. DAMPIER.

—(5.)—

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, I, *Edmund Henry Lushington*, Esquire, His Majesty's Coroner and Attorney in the Court of King's Bench, do humbly certify and return, That there has not been any Increase in the rate of Fees demanded or received by me in such office since my appointment thereto, which took place in July last: And from the inquiries which I have made, I believe that there has not been any such Increase within twenty years. And I do further humbly certify and return, That I had no knowledge direct or indirect of the above-mentioned Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, until the sitting of the Court of King's Bench on the morning of Friday the sixth of May; and that the contents of such Order were communicated by me to the Judges immediately upon the rising of the Court on that day.

Crown Office, Temple,
May 13, 1814.

EDMUND HENRY LUSHINGTON.

—(6.)—

I do hereby humbly return to the Honourable the House of Commons, That no Increase has taken place in the Rate of Fees demanded and received by me in the Office of Secretary, on the Crown Side of the Court of King's Bench at Westminster, during twenty years now last past, on the several Proceedings in the said Office.

Dated 12 May 1814.

H. BARLOW,
Secretary.

—(7.)—

I do hereby humbly certify and return to the Honourable the House of Commons, That no Increase has taken place in the rate of the Fees demanded and received by me in the Office of Clerk of the Rules, on the Crown Side of the Court of King's Bench at Westminster, during twenty years now last past, on the several Proceedings in the said Office.

Dated 18 May 1814.

HEN. DEALTRY,
Cl. Reg. Cor.

—(8.)—

I do hereby humbly certify and return to the Honourable the House of Commons, That no Increase has taken place in the rate of Fees demanded and received in the Offices of Examiner, Calendar Keeper, and Clerk of the Grand Jury for Middlesex, on the Crown Side of the Court of King's Bench at Westminster, and Deputy Coroner of the King's Bench Prison, during the four years and upwards that I have held the said Offices, and I have reason to think that no such Increase has taken place in any of the above Offices for sixteen years before.

Dated this Twelfth day of May 1814.

WILLIAM BELT.

—(9.)—

I do hereby humbly certify and return to the Honourable the House of Commons, That no Increase has taken place in the rate of Fees demanded and received in the Office of Clerk of the Affidavits, on the Crown side of the Court of King's Bench at Westminster, during the last two years and upwards that I have held the said Office; and I have reason to think that no such Increase took place for eighteen years before.

Dated this Twelfth day of May 1814.

PEN. DEALTRY.

—(10.)—

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, We humbly return, That there has not been any Increase of the rate of Fees demanded or received by us, as Chief Clerk on the Plea Side of the Court of King's Bench, since our appointment to that Office; and we have reason to believe that there has not been any such Increase within the last twenty years.

Court of King's Bench, Westminster,
13th May 1814.

Chief Clerk,
EDWARD LAW.
O. MAREHAM.

—(11.)—

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable House of Commons, of 31st March 1814, I humbly certify, That I know of no such Increase of Fees in the Court of King's Bench at Westminster.

15th May 1814.

R. FORSTER, Secondary.

—(12.)—

Rule Office, King's Bench, 12 May 1814.

IN obedience and answer to the Order of the House of Commons, dated the 31st March last, I beg to state, That I have not held the Office of Clerk of the Rules and Orders of His Majesty's Court of King's Bench, for the space of 20 years; but during the time I have executed that office, and from the information of my principal Clerk and Assistant, who has had the superintendence and management of the Accounts of the said office for the last 35 years, I humbly certify, That no Increase of rate of the Fees demanded and received on the Proceedings therein has taken place during that period.

C. SHORT,
Clerk of the Rules and Orders
of His Majesty's Court of King's Bench.

—(13.)—

I humbly certify to the Honourable the House of Commons, in obedience to their Order of 31st March 1814, That there has not been any Increase of the rate of Fees demanded and received in the Office of Clerk of the Papers in His Majesty's Court of King's Bench, during the last twenty years.

13th May 1814.

SAM^L PLATT,
Clerk of the Papers.

—(14.)—

IN pursuance of an Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, dated March 2d, 1814, We certify, That we are not aware that any Increase in the rate of Fees has been taken, demanded, and received, in the Office of Custos Brevium, during the last twenty years.

19th May 1814.

KENYON.
EDWARD LAW.

—(15.)—

IN obedience to an Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, bearing date the 31st day of March 1814, I humbly certify, That I am not aware of any Increase whatever in the rate of Fees demanded or received, by the Marshal to the Chief Justice of His Majesty's Court of King's Bench, during the last twenty years.

16th May 1814.

WM JONES,
for the Honourable EDWARD LAW.

—(16.)—

IN obedience to an Order of the Honourable House of Commons, dated 31st March 1814, I hereby humbly certify, That I am not aware of any increase of rate of the Fees demanded and received by the Clerk of Nisi Prius of His Majesty's Court of King's Bench, during the last twenty years.

Westminster, 14th May 1814.

CHR^S E. LAW,
Clerk of Nisi Prius.

—(17.)—

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, I beg leave to state, That there has been no Increase of the Fees received by me as one of the Clerks of Nisi Prius to the Custos Brevium in the Court of King's Bench, from the year 1806, when I was appointed to the Office, unto the present time.

Lincoln's-Inn, May 18th, 1814.

JOB WALDEN HAMMER.

—(18.)—

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, I beg leave to state, That there has been no Increase of the Fees received by me within the last twenty years, in the Offices of Clerk of the Inner and Upper Treasury, and also one of the Clerks of Nisi Prius to the Custos Brevium, in the Court of King's Bench.

Temple, 18th May 1814.

THO^S WHITE.

—(19.)—

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, I beg leave to state, That there has been no Increase of Fees received by me, within the last twenty years, in the Offices of Clerk of the Outer Treasury, one of the Clerks of Nisi Prius to the Custos Brevium, in the Court of King's Bench, and of Filazer for the Counties of Essex and Monmouth.

Essex-street, 15th May 1814.

AND^S EDGE.

—(20.)—

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, I beg leave to state, That there has been no Increase of the Fees received by me, within the last twenty years, in the Offices of Signer of the Writs, Clerk of the Docquets and Judgments, &c. and also one of the Clerks of Nisi Prius to the Custos Brevium, in the Court of King's Bench.

King's Bench Office, Temple,
May 16, 1814.

W^M PEEVOST.

—(21.)—

I, John Stanley, Signer of Bills of Middlesex, do humbly certify and return to the Honourable House of Commons, That no Increase has taken place in the Fees received in this Office within twenty years last past; and that Fees are regulated and received by a Table of Fees publicly affixed in this Office.

Bill of Middlesex Office,
18 May 1814.

JOHN STANLEY.

—(22.)—

IN pursuance of the Order of the Honourable House of Commons, I beg leave to state, That no Increase of Fees, at the Seal Office for the Courts of King's Bench and Common Pleas, has taken place during the last twenty years.

Seal Office,
17 May 1814.

JAS POOLE,
Deputy Comptroller.

—(23.)—

IN pursuance of an Order of the House of Commons, dated 31st March 1814, for a Return to be made of any Increase of rate of the Fees demanded and received in the several Superior Courts of Justice, Civil or Ecclesiastical, in the United Kingdom, by the Judges and Officers of such Courts, during twenty years, on the several Proceedings in the same:—I do hereby humbly certify, as Deputy to the Honourable Thomas Kenyon, Philaster Exgentes and Clerk of the Outlawries in the Court of King's Bench, That no Increase whatever has taken place in any of the Fees demanded or received in the said Office, during the last twenty years.

Philaster's Office, Pump Court, Temple,
May 20th, 1814.

JAS YATES,
Deputy Philaster, &c.

—(24.)—

IN obedience to an Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, bearing date the 31st day of March 1814, I humbly certify, That I am not aware of any Increase whatever in the rate of Fees demanded or received by the Marshal of the King's Bench Prison, during the last twenty years.

King's Bench,
16th May 1814.

WM JONES,
Marshal.

—(25.)—

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, I beg leave to state, That no Increase has been made in the Fees in the Office I hold under the Lord Chief Justice of the Court of King's Bench, within the last thirty years.

In the Office of the Common Bails, which I hold under the Chief Clerk of that Court, an Increase to the ancient Fee on filing Common Bail in Term, was made in Easter Term 1813, of the sum of Four-pence, by which the Fee was increased to Eighteen-pence, which is the Fee that has been paid for upwards of eighty years past, upon filing Bail in Paschen.

I beg leave to state the circumstances which led to the Increase.—By an Order of the Court of King's Bench, the Common Bails have from time immemorial been entered upon King's Bench Rolls as they were brought into the Office, for the purpose of being searched by the Profession, and to be kept as Public Records; which method has for a many years past been found inconvenient to the Profession, in the great time required to make searches when the entries were numerous, and from the frequent mistakes made by the persons employed to make searches; which mistakes frequently occasioned considerable expense. To obviate those inconveniences, I was requested by a numerous body of the Profession to devise a plan for entering Bails, by which a saving of time might be obtained, and the chance of making mistakes lessened; they offering to pay any reasonable Increase to the ancient Fee, to indemnify me from any expense and trouble which a new plan might occasion.

In compliance with their request, I prepared parchment books with indexes, for the purpose of entering the Bails in alphabetical order; which books, previous to my using them, I submitted to the inspection of the Honourable the Judges of the Court of King's Bench, who were pleased to allow me to use them in lieu of the Rolls theretofore used, and also to my adding the sum of Four-pence to the Fee formerly paid, provided the Profession, for whose convenience the books were to be adopted, agreed to the Increase. I submitted my Plan to the Members of the Law Society, who approved of it, and also of the proposed Increase, which they considered as reasonable. The books have been used four Terms, and have fully answered the purposes for which they were prepared; Time has been saved, and Mistakes have been prevented.

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The expenses occasioned by providing a set of books for every Term, and the hire of additional assistance to keep the Bails entered for the purpose of being searched, amount to within a few pounds of the sum which the increase to the ancient Fee has produced within the last year. The actual emolument to myself, for the extra time I have employed beyond the usual Office hours in keeping the Entries regularly examined for the use of the Profession, amounted in the last year to £. 12. 12. 6d.; as appears by the following Statement:

Common Bails filed in 4 Terms; i.e. from	£.	s.	d.
Easter 1813 to Hilary 1814 - - 4,370 - - - at 4d. - -	72	1	8
Expenses,			
Four Sets of parchment Books, at £. 7. 10s. each -	£. 28		
Paid for additional Assistance - - - - -	50		
	60	-	60
	£. 12	1	8

RICH^d SMITH,
Clerk of the Common Bails, Estreats
and Posters, in the Court of King's Bench.

18th May 1814.

— (25.) —

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, I beg leave to state, That there has been no Increase of the Fees received by me, within the last twenty years, in the office or situation of the Bagbearer of the Court of King's Bench.

JOHN MITCHELL,
Bagbearer.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS.

(1.)—Judges of the Court of Common Pleas.

WE hereby certify to the Honourable House of Commons, in obedience to Their Order, That, to the best of our knowledge and belief, there has been no Increase of rate of the Fees demanded or received by us, or any or either of us, or our Predecessors, on the proceedings in the said Court, during twenty years before the date of the prefixed Order.

V. GIBBS, Lord Chief Justice of the Court of
Common Pleas, in England.
J. HEATH, a Justice of the same Court.
A. CHAMBER, Puisne Judge of the same Court.
R. DALLAS, Puisne Judge of the same Court.

(2.)—Prothonotaries of the Common Pleas.

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, dated the 16th day of May 1814, we beg leave to state, That no Increase in the rate of Fees has been received by us, within the last twenty years.

George Woodruffe, } Prothonotaries of His Majesty's
George Watkinson, } Court of Common Pleas,
Robt Ray, } at Westminster.

Dated, May 21st 1814.

(3.)—Secondaries of the Common Pleas.

WE hereby certify to the Honourable House of Commons, in obedience to the prefixed Order, That, to the best of our knowledge and belief, there has been no Increase of rate of the Fees demanded or received by us or either of us, on the Proceedings in the said Court, during twenty years before the date of the said Order.

Geo. Griffith,
Secondary to Mr. Prothonotary Woodruffe.
Thos. Lodington,
Secondary to Mr. Prothonotary Watkinson.

COURT OF EXCHEQUER.

(1.)—The Chief Baron.

IN obedience to the Orders of the Honourable the House of Commons, dated respectively the 31st March last and the 16th of May instant, (communicated to me by the latter) I certify, That there has not been, to my knowledge, any Increase of rate of the Fees demanded or received by me, either as Chief Baron, or as one of the puisne Barons of His Majesty's Court of Exchequer at Westminster, during the last twenty years, on any Proceedings in that Court.

27 May 1814.

A. THOMSON.

(2.)—Mr. Baron Graham.

IN obedience to the Orders of the Honourable the House of Commons, dated respectively the 31st March and the 16th May instant, I certify, That there has not been, to my knowledge or information, any Increase of the rate of Fees demanded or received by me, as one of the Barons of the Exchequer, during the last twenty years, on any Proceedings in the Court of Exchequer.

27 May 1814.

ROBT GRAHAM.

(3.)—Mr. Baron Wood.

IN obedience to the Orders of the Honourable the House of Commons, dated respectively the 31st March last and the 16th May instant, I certify, That I know of no Increase of rate of the Fees demanded or received by me, as a puisne Baron of the Court of Exchequer, during so much of the last twenty years as I have been a Judge, on the several Proceedings in the same.

27 May 1814.

GEO. WOOD.

(4.)—Mr. Baron Richards.

IN obedience to the Orders of the Honourable the House of Commons, dated respectively the 31st March last and the 16th instant, I certify, That there has been no Increase of the rate of the Fees demanded or received by me, as one of the Barons of the Court of Exchequer at Westminster, since I have been upon the Bench; and I have been informed, that there has not been any Increase of the rate of the Fees demanded or received by any of the Barons of the said Court, within the last twenty years.

27 May 1814.

R. RICHARDS.

(5.)—The King's Remembrancer.

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable House of Commons, made on the 16th day of May last, I humbly certify, That no Increase of Rate of Fees, demanded and received in my Office on any Proceedings in the same, hath taken place during twenty years last past.

King's Remembrancer's Office,
Inner Temple, 16th June 1814.

A. Mapey,
Deputy King's Remembrancer of His
Majesty's Court of Exchequer.

(F 5).—Clerks of Remembrancer's Office, Exchequer.

A RETURN of the FEES received by the Sworn Clerks and Side Clerks in the Office of His Majesty's Remembrancer of the Court of Exchequer, at Westminster, in pursuance of an Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, dated the 16th day of May 1814.

Present Charges, including Stamps and Remembrancer's Fees, are				Additional within the last 20 Years.		
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
FOR every Subpoena - - - - -	0.	10.	10.	0.	3.	4.
Attachment - - - - -	0.	9.	8.	0.	2.	2.
Attachment with Proclamations or Distringas - - - - -	0.	10.	10.	0.	3.	4.
Commission of Rebellion - - - - -	1.	8.	8.	0.	3.	4.
Sequestration - - - - -	1.	8.	8.	0.	3.	4.
Habeas Corpus - - - - -	3.	4.	4.	0.	3.	4.
Supersedes - - - - -	0.	15.	4.	0.	6.	8.
Dedimus Potestatem - - - - -	0.	15.	4.	0.	3.	4.
To examine Witnesses and Oaths - - - - -	1.	15.	4.	0.	6.	8.
For every other Dedimus Potestatem - - - - -	1.	7.	0.	0.	3.	4.
Injunction - - - - -	1.	1.	4.	0.	6.	8.
For every Term the Cause is in agitation, a Term Fee - - - - -	0.	6.	8.	0.	3.	4.
For every Day's Attendance on Plea, Demurrer, or Exception, or Special Motions - - - - -	0.	6.	8.	0.	3.	4.
For examining Pleadings for Trial, per Sheet - - - - -	0.	0.	2.	0.	0.	1.
For Attendance on a Baron, the Attorney General, or the Deputy Remembrancer - - - - -	0.	6.	8.	0.	3.	4.
Drawing, ingrossing, and filing a Replication - - - - -	0.	13.	8.	0.	3.	4.
The like for a Rejoinder - - - - -	0.	13.	8.	0.	3.	4.
Joining in a Commission for examining Witnesses - - - - -	0.	6.	8.	0.	3.	4.
For entering Appearance for one, two, three or four Defendants - - - - -	0.	6.	8.	0.	2.	0.
For entering Appearance for more than four Defendants; then for every one, two, three or four Defendants - - - - -	0.	6.	8.	0.	2.	0.
For filing every Plea, Answer, Demurrer, Exception, Report, Affidavit, Information and Writ - - - - -	0.	3.	4.	0.	1.	4.
For amending Record, and Office Copy Bill - - - - -	0.	13.	4.	0.	6.	8.

The Authority upon which these additional charges have been made, is founded upon an Order of the Court of Chancery, made by the Right Honourable the Lord High Chancellor

and the Master of the Rolls, the 26th day of February 1807; a Copy of which is herewith subjoined; and which Order having been submitted to the consideration of the Deputy Remembrancer, (to whom the subject of Costs in all Cases is referred by the Court) he thought it fit, that for the like Services performed by the Clerks in Court in this office, the same allowances should be made to them as had been made to the Clerks in Court in Chancery.

King's Remembrancer's Office,
28th May 1814.

D. Burton Fowler,
Second Secretary.

CLERKS IN COURT FEES.

In Chancery.

ORDER OF COURT.

Thursday, the 26th day of February 1807.

WHEREAS the Fees and Rewards taken by the Sworn Clerks and Waiting Clerks of this Court, for the Business transacted by them, are of great antiquity: And whereas the same have been at different times regulated by the Orders of this Court, as occasion required: And whereas it has been humbly represented, that by the great alteration of the times, and the heavy Stamp Duties, and various Taxes, and other heavy Charges and Expenses of late years imposed, that the present Fees and Rewards, allowed and taken under the Orders of the Court, are greatly inadequate to the Duties to be performed by them, and to the support and maintenance of the practitioners of a liberal profession; and it being for the benefit of the Suitors, that skillful and proper persons should be encouraged in the due and faithful discharge of the duties of those Offices, by a reasonable recompence and reward for their services; and the Right Honourable *Thomas Lord Erskine*, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, having taken the matters aforesaid into his serious consideration; and a Schedule of the increased fees hereunder written and subscribed by the Sworn Clerks and Waiting Clerks, having been humbly submitted to his Lordship, who being of opinion the same are just and reasonable: It is therefore this present 26th day of February, in the 47th year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Third, and in the year of our Lord 1807, Ordered and Decreed by the said Lord *Erskine*, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, by and with the advice and assistance of the Right Honourable Sir *William Grant* Knight, Master of the Rolls, that the said Schedule of Fees be adopted; and that all Officers, Ministers, Clerks and other Persons belonging to this Court, and others whom it may concern, do observe and pay obedience thereto: And it is further Ordered, that this Order be entered with the Register, and that Copies of the said Schedule of Fees be forthwith written on parchment, in a fair legible hand, and set-up in the Offices of the S. x Clerks and Register, and in the other Offices of this Court, to which recourse may be had on all necessary occasions; and that the said Schedule of Fees, have commencement from the 26th day of February in the year of our Lord 1807.

Ent^d J. D.

ERSKINE, C.
W. GRANT, M. R.

D. Burton Fowler,
Second Secretary.

(6).—Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer.

IN obedience to an Order of the Honourable House of Commons, of Monday the 16th day of May instant, sent to the Lord Chief Baron of the Court of Exchequer, and his Lordship having been pleased to communicate the same Order to this Office (being one of the Common Law Offices of the said Court) I do hereby humbly certify to the Honourable House of Commons, That the Law Proceedings in this Office are confined to such matters as are at times (though rarely) litigated between the Crown and the Subject, and so arise out of Records within this Office; and that no Increase in the rate of Fees on such Proceedings, has taken place, within the time specified in the Order of the said Honourable House.

Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer's Office,
Somerset Place, 31st May 1814.

J. M. Greenwood,
Dep. Treas. Rem.

(7).—Clerk of the Pleas.

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, prefixed, I John Dax, Deputy Clerk of the Pleas of the Court of Exchequer, do humbly certify and return, That there has not been any Increase in the rate of Fees demanded or received in the Office of the Clerk of the Pleas of the Court of Exchequer, to the best of my knowledge or belief, during the sixteen years last past which I have been Deputy Clerk of the Pleas of the said Court; and from the inquiries which I have made, I do not believe that there has been any such Increase within the last twenty years.

27 May 1814.

John Dax.

II.—SCOTLAND.

(1.)—THE COURT OF SESSION IN SCOTLAND.

(1.)—REPORT to the Honourable House of Commons of Great Britain and Ireland.

IN obedience to the prefixed Order, which was transmitted to the Lord President of the Court of Session by Robert Mitford, Esquire, in a Letter dated Treasury Chambers, 20th May 1814:—In answer to the First branch of the Enquiry, it is humbly Reported, That no Fees of any kind or description whatever, are demanded or received by the Judges of the Court of Session, on any of the Proceedings in that Court, or on any other account.

With regard to the Officers of the Court of Session; the following Statement includes every Increase of rate of Fees demanded and received within the period referred to.

First.—Keepers of the Inner House Rolls.

THE Act of Sederunt of 16 January 1798, (referring to a preceding Act of 1791, introducing a Fee of Two Shillings and Sixpence for every Reclaiming Petition, refused by the Lords, without an answer), ordains the same Fee of Two Shillings and Sixpence to be paid in all cases of Reclaiming Petitions which are not to be answered, whether the same be refused or granted, or remitted to an Ordinary:—And, the Act of Sederunt of 7th March 1810, proceeding on a recital of the Act of Parliament, dividing the Court, whereby there came necessarily to be two Keepers of Inner House Rolls, one for each Division; and for the reasons therein set forth, repealed thenceforth the Acts of 1791 and 1798, and regulated the Fees which should thereafter be payable to the Keepers of the Inner House Rolls in both Divisions of the Court; which Fees by the Act of Parliament 50 George III. cap. 112. sec. 49, are declared a common fund, and to be divisible equally between them.

This Act includes the Fee established by that of 1798, above mentioned, and authorizes the following articles of Increase to the two Keepers:

	s.	d.
For every Petition, Information, Memorial, or other Paper, enrolled in the Short Roll	2.	0.
For every Action enrolled in the ordinary Action or Summar Roll (except those of <i>Causa Benarum</i>)	2.	0.
For Enrolling every prepared State, or Memorial and Abstract in a Sale, each Party	5.	0.
For a Hearing in presence, each Party, for each day's pleading	5.	0.
For Enrolling every Petition or other Paper, in the Single Roll Roll	2.	6.
For every remitted Petition	2.	6.
For each Appendix to printed Papers in the Inner House	1.	0.
Upon the Admission of every Notary Public	5.	0.
Where Papers are of a very unusual length, and where in consequence thereof the Cause shall be the only one in the Short Roll for the day; in place of the ordinary Fee, each Party to pay for Enrolling	20.	0.

Second.—Keeper of the Outer House Rolls.

AN Act of Sederunt of 2d July 1813, authorizes an additional Fee of One Shilling upon each Advocatum, Suspension, Regulation and ordinary Action, enrolled in the Outer House Rolls.

Third.—Keeper of the General Minute Book of the Court; both Divisions.

AN Act of Sederunt of 13th February 1810, authorizes a Fee to the Keeper of Two Shillings for each Entry in the Minute Book, of all refused Petitions.

Fourth.

Fourth.—The Clerks of the Thirteen Ordinary Lords of Session.

BY Act of Sederunt of 9th June 1805, the following Increase of Rates was authorized:

Upon the first Enrolment of every Cause in the Outer House, Sixpence.

And upon presenting every Bill of Suspension or Advocacion in the Bill Chamber, Sixpence.

By Act of Sederunt of 4th July 1810, an addition of Two Shillings is made upon each of the following Articles referred to, as specified in a preceding Act of 1st August 1789;—viz.

1. When Causes are pled before the Lord Ordinary in the Outer House, and taken to *avisandum*, each Party.
2. Every Enrolment in the Lord Ordinary's Hand Roll.
3. At giving in each Representation, Condescendence, or any other Paper (written Pleadings) in a Cause, appointed by the Lord Ordinary.
4. When objections are made to Witnesses, or to questions put to Witnesses, and advised by the Lord Ordinary, each Party.
5. When a Cause is reported, each Party.
6. At making *avisandum* with a prepared State.
7. At comparing Memorials and Abstracts in Sales.
8. When Sales are reported, each Lot.
9. At advising States of Interests, in Rankings or Multiplepoundings.
10. For every Bill of Suspension or Advocacion, passed or refused upon Answers, or upon a Hearing, each Party.

By an Act of Sederunt of 11th March 1814, proceeding upon reasons therein detailed at length, a Fee of Three Shillings is appointed to be paid to the Leeds Clerks upon every Paper (i. e. Three Shillings for the whole Copies of every such Paper,) which ought regularly to be lodged in the Boxes of all the Judges.

And a Fee of One Shilling upon the different printed Papers appointed by the Regulations of Court to be laid before the Lords Ordinary in the Outer House.

Which Fees form a part of a Fund of Division among the Leeds Clerks, rendered common by the Statute in the 50th year of His present Majesty, cap. 112, sec. 50.

Fifth.—The Assistants of the Principal Clerks of Session, and Preparers of Extracts of the Decrees, &c. of the Court.

AN Act of Sederunt of 11th July 1800, concerning "the Poore's Roll;" for the information of all concerned, and to prevent improper Renewals or Concealments of former applications, appoints a Record to be kept in the Office of the junior Clerk, for entering alphabetically, the name of the Petitioner, a short abstract of the Petition, and deliverance of the Court thereon; for all which the Assistant is entitled to a Fee of One Shilling.

And this Record is appointed to be patent to all concerned for taking excerpts therefrom, for the like Fee of One Shilling.

By an Act of Sederunt of 6th February 1806, the following additional Fees are authorized to these Assistants, for the reasons therein set forth:—viz.

At lodging and lending up steps of Processes or Productions, giving out Copies of Interlocutors, transmitting Processes, and outgivings to Extractors, One Shilling.

For every Entry in the Office Minute Book (except for Informations for which a separate Fee was already established), Two Shillings.

And by another Act of the same date,—For returning a Process, comparing the same with the Inventory, and scoring Receipt, One Shilling.

Sixth.—The Assistants of the Depute Clerks of Session, who officiate in The Outer House Department.

THEIR Fees were regulated and consolidated by an Act of Sederunt of 10th March 1798, which increased the Fees formerly drawn by them for time immemorial, as follows:—

On transmitting Processes to the Leeds Ordinary for advising, One Shilling.

On the first Enrolment of each Cause in the Outer House Rolls, One Shilling and Sixpence, (being Three pence to each of the Assistants).

The Act of Sederunt of 6th February 1806, establishes a Fee of One Shilling upon returning Processes, comparing them with the Inventory and scoring the Receipt.

The Act of Sederunt of 11th July 1811, established an additional Fee of One Shilling upon each borrowing of Processes; and the same Fee at lodging Representations and Answers thereto, Condescendences and Answers thereto, Minutes, Answers thereto, Memorials and Informations, Replies and Duplies, Defences, Amendments of Labels, Interests and Productions in Rankings, Multiplepoundings and Reductions, Depositions, Accounts of Expenses, Reports of Accountants, States, Objections and Answers thereto.

Seventh.

Seventh.—The Auditor of Court.

THIS Officer was first appointed by Act of Sederunt of 6th February 1565, which provides. That he shall have a reasonable Fee for his trouble, to be settled by the Parties, or by the Lord Ordinary, or the Court, in case of difference.—But the Fees of the Auditor have since been regulated by the Act of Parliament, 50th George III. cap. 112, sec. 48, according to the following Schedule annexed to that Act:—viz.

	£.	s.	d.
When the amount of the Account to be taxed is under £. 10. the Auditor's Fee to be - - - - -	0.	7.	6.
Where the Account amounts to £. 10. but is under £. 20. - - - - -	0.	10.	6.
Where the Account amounts to £. 20. but is under £. 50. - - - - -	0.	15.	0.
Where the Account amounts to £. 50. but is under £. 100. - - - - -	1.	1.	0.
Where the Account amounts to £. 100. but is under £. 150. - - - - -	1.	11.	6.
Where the Account amounts to £. 150. but is under £. 200. - - - - -	2.	2.	0.
Where the Account amounts to £. 200. but is under £. 300. - - - - -	3.	3.	0.
Where the Account amounts to £. 300. but is under £. 500. - - - - -	4.	4.	0.
Where the Account amounts to £. 500. and upwards - - - - -	5.	5.	0.

Eighth.—The Bill Chamber.

BY an Act of Sederunt of 10th March 1798, the Court authorized Andrew Miller, Depute Clerk of the Bills, to exact the following additional Fees:—viz.

On presenting a Bill of Advocacy, Four Shillings and Five-pence Halfpenny.
On every Bill passed without Answers and Replies, Three Shillings and Sixpence.
Upon every Bond of Caution presented, One Shilling and Sixpence.

By another Act of Sederunt of 14th June 1799, the Depute Clerk of the Bills is entitled to demand for writing every Bond of Caution (which was a new Duty imposed upon him,) a Fee of Two Shillings and Sixpence; and in cases of Juratory Caution, for the form of an Oath, Inventory, and Enactment, One Shilling.

The Clerks Assistant in the Bill Chamber, by an Act of Sederunt of 4th March 1800, is appointed to keep a Roll of all Sequestrations awarded by the Lords Ordinary in vacation, for which he is appointed to receive a Fee of One Shilling.

By a subsequent Act of Sederunt of 9th July 1803, an additional Fee of Two-pence on each Pleak Bill presented at office hours, and Sixpence for each at extra hours, is established *ad interim*, divisible among the Clerks in the Bill Chamber, in the proportions therein mentioned.

And lastly, the Act of Sederunt of 19th December 1812, authorizes

1. An additional Fee for each Bond of Caution, of Two Shillings and Sixpence.
2. An additional Fee on the first Sheet of the Record of Abbreviates of Adjudications, Housings against Superiors, and Signatures of Adjudication, of Three Shillings and Four-pence.
3. And on each subsequent Sheet of these Records, One Shilling and Eight-pence.
4. On every Bill of Loosing Arrestment, an additional Fee of Two Shillings and Sixpence.
5. On every Bond to Lawburrows, One Shilling and Eight-pence.
6. On each single Bill, presented during office hours, Three-pence.
7. And on every such Bill presented after office hours, an additional Fee of Sixpence.

Which additional Fees are payable to the several Clerks in the Bill Chamber, in manner specified in the Act.

By the Act of Parliament 50 George III. cap. 112, already referred to, a Fee Fund was established in the Court of Session, and a Table of Fees was annexed to that Act, which were appointed to be levied by a Collector, to be named by the Lord President of the College of Justice; and the sums so levied, after deduction of an Allowance to the Collector, were directed by the Act to be applied in payment of fixed Salaries to the Clerks of Session, whose right to Fees on the Proceedings was entirely abolished; and in payment of Salaries to certain other Officers of Court; and in defraying the expense of office rooms and charges connected therewith.—These new regulations were introduced, not as an increase of rate of existing Fees, but as substituting a new denomination of Fees, in lieu of others which were thereby taken away; and therefore it has appeared unnecessary to load this Report with a recapitulation either of the particular Fees abolished, or of those authorized by the Act to be levied, or of the precise application of the amount thereof, all of which, however, may be learnt by reference to the Act of Parliament itself. All which is humbly reported by

Ja. Walker,

One of the Principal Clerks of Session.

Edinburgh, }
15 June, 1814. }

(2.)—THE LORD JUSTICE CLERK.

NO intimation of the Order of the 31st March having been received till that of the 2d May was transmitted to the Lord Justice Clerk, no Return could be made sooner than now.

The Second Division of the Court of Session, in which the Lord Justice Clerk presides, is only a branch of the Court of Session created by the Act of the 48th of His present Majesty, cap. 151, sect. 1. The Judges in this Division of the Court have no authority *per se* to increase the Fees of Court, and have never done so. But, under the authority of the aforesaid Act of Parliament, they meet with the Judges of the other Division, and regulate certain Fees of Court, in the same manner as was done by the whole Court before its division. In these Meetings the Lord President presides, and the Record of the Proceedings is kept by the Clerks who officiate in the First Division, under the control of the Lord President, who will direct a Return to be made of the particulars required by the aforesaid Orders, and to which Return, therefore, the Lord Justice Clerk requests permission to refer, there being no Record kept of them proper to the Second Division of the Court where he presides. All which is humbly reported by

Edinburgh, 16 June 1814.

Ja. Ferrier, Senior Clerk.

(3.)—THE COURT OF EXCHEQUER.

Exchequer Chambers, Edinburgh, 31st May 1814.

AN Order of the Right Honourable the House of Commons, of date the 2d May 1814, was this day laid before the Right Honourable the Lord Chief Baron and Barons of His Majesty's Court of Exchequer, Scotland; and their Lordships Return to the said Honourable House, in the Department of said Court, is

— Nil. —

Examined, certified by

Pat. Murray, K. R.

(4.)—JUDGE OF THE HIGH COURT OF ADMIRALTY.

Edinburgh, 27th May 1814.

IN obedience to the prefixed Order of the Honourable House of Commons, I report, 1st, That as Judge, I draw no Fees, nor Perquisites of any description, having a fixed Salary from His Majesty.

2dly, No Increase of Fees has taken place in my Court, for above an hundred years, to any of its Officers, except in the following instances:

For Enrolments of Causes to be called in Court there was paid prior to 1st November 1811, One Shilling for each enrolment, which was divided equally between the Deputy Clerk of Court, and the Judge's own Clerk. This Fee was raised to Two Shillings in Causes for above £. 25. 14s. 6d. But for enrolments of Causes involving any Sum under £. 25. the Fee remains as before.

3dly, Accounts of Costs of Suit frequently occasioned litigation in taxing them, and heavy additional expense. To obviate which, I judged it expedient to have all Accounts remitted to an Auditor, who should be guided by certain fixed rules; and the following table of Fees was established:

	s.	d.
If the Account be under £. 10. except in Decrees in absence	-	2. 6.
If above £. 10. and under £. 25.	-	4. 0.
If above £. 25. and under £. 30.	-	7. 6.
And all above £. 30.	-	10. 0.

This regulation has been a saving of Expenses to all Parties.

Under 'Officers' of Court, I do not understand the House of Commons to mean those Gentlemen who practise in it, and therefore do not allude to them. If in this I mistake, I will cheerfully correct my error.

With regard to the authority under which regulations of this sort are made; I understand it to arise out of the nature and constitution of the Court, and believe that the power has

been coeval with the erection of the Court. I have desired the Deputy Clerk of Court to look into the Record, and he reports to me, that no act of Court establishing Fees can be found. In every Act of Parliament relating to the Court of Admiralty, it is called "the High Court," declared to be "a sovereign judicature in itself, and, of its own nature, to import summary execution." In particular, this is repeated in the Scots Act of Parliament 1681, chap. 16, wherein it is likewise enacted, "That it is the privilege of the said High Admiral to cause parties become excoited, and find caution (security) not only for compliance, but for performance of the Acts, and sentences of his Court," &c.

From his jurisdiction being sovereign, and his being entitled to make parties bind themselves to performance of the "Acts of his Court," I apprehend that the establishment of Regulations, and of Fees to his Officers, follows as a necessary consequence; and I know of no other authority under which those existing, and which have undergone no alteration for time unknown, were originally established.

J. Wolfe Murray.

P. S. I imagine that it is hardly necessary for me to observe, that although the Order appears to be a renewal of one formerly given, this latter was not transmitted to me; otherwise it would have been long ago obeyed.

(5.)—COMMISSARY COURT OF EDINBURGH.

Return by Messrs James Gordon, Thomas Tod, James Ferguson, and George Ross, Commissioners of Edinburgh, to the Order of the House of Commons, of date 2d May 1814.

IN obedience to the said Order, the Commissioners of the Commissary Court of Edinburgh humbly report,

1. That by Act of Sederunt of the Commissioners of Edinburgh, dated 4th February 1788, a Fee of Sixpence for the Enrolment of every Cause relating to Adherence, Divorce, Marriage, Separation, Scandal, and Executry, was made payable to the Clerk's Servant, for his trouble in taking up a Roll of the Causes to be moved in Court on the Court-day, which Fee of Sixpence, was, by Act of Sederunt of the Commissioners, dated 17th February 1806, increased to One Shilling. That this Fee is levied by the Clerk's Servant under authority of these Acts of Sederunt, Copies of which are hereto annexed, and which explain the nature of the Duty performed for this Fee.

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2. A Fee of One Shilling sterling from each Party, in litigated Causes, and from the Pursuer, in Causes that proceed in absence of the Defender, is also recovered by the Clerk for every Interlocutor engrossed by him on the Record, and reported in Court. This Fee is also levied under authority of the last-mentioned of these two Acts of Sederunt of the Commissioners, dated 17 February 1806, and fully explains the nature of the duty performed for this Fee. But from the gross produce of the whole Fees levied under these Acts of Sederunt, 10 per cent. is paid to the Mace of Court.

3. By Act of Sederunt of the Commissioners, dated 10th July 1812, an Auditor of Accounts was appointed to examine the Accounts of Expenses of Processes depending before them where Expenses are found due, and to report to the Court, as a separate Office from the Clerks. A Copy of this Act of Sederunt is also annexed. No Fees have been fixed by the Commissioners to be paid to the Auditor; but, since the date of the foresaid Act of Sederunt, he has demanded and received, from the Parties whose Accounts he has audited, as follows; viz.

	£.	s.	d.
Where the Account of Expenses does not exceed £. 15.	-	0.	5. 0.
Above £. 15, and not exceeding 25.	-	0.	7. 6.
- 25. - - - - - 30.	-	0.	10. 6.
- 30. - - - - - 80.	-	0.	15. 0.
- 80. - - - - - 100.	-	1.	1. 0.
- 100. - - - - - 150.	-	1.	11. 6.
- 150. - - - - - 200.	-	2.	2. 0.
- 200. - - - - - 300.	-	2.	12. 6.
And 10 s. 6 d. for every £. 100. above.			

It is to be observed, however, that although the Auditor's Fees have, since the date of the said Act of Sederunt, been demanded and paid according to the preceding Scale, yet it is under the contemplation of the Commissioners to take the matter under immediate consideration, and upon due investigation to modify and fix the Fees payable to the Auditor, according to such Rates as, from evidence derived from experience, shall be deemed just and reasonable; and with a proper consideration of the nature of the Cases which he has to report upon, and of the trouble which they occasion to him.

4. That

4. That there has been no Increase of Fees demanded or received by the Commissaries of Edinburgh for themselves. On the contrary, since certain decisions were pronounced by the Court of Session, which found that moveable succession might vest without full confirmation; and in particular since the Acts of the 44th and 48th of His present Majesty's reign, imposing the subsisting Tax on Inventories of moveable Estates, were passed, it has become the universal practice to confirm partially, and in general but a very trifling part of the succession; And thus the ancient Emoluments of the Court, which have always been leviable by per centage on the Sums confirmed, are become altogether pecuniary and insignificant, not amounting to more than from £. 25. to £. 30. to each Commissary per annum. With the preceding exceptions, there has likewise been no Increase of Fees demanded or received by any Officer of the Commissary Court of Edinburgh, on the Proceedings in said Court, since the date of the Union between England and Scotland.

Thomas Tod,
Jr. Clerken.

Appendix, No. 1.

Additional Act of Sederunt anent the Enrolling of Causes.

Edinburgh, 4 February 1788.

THE Commissaries, having taken into consideration the inconvenience arising from the present practice of Enrolling Causes before this Court, FOR remedying thereof, do hereby enact and ordain, That from and after the first day of March next, the Solicitors intending to Enroll Causes, shall lodge a note thereof at the Clerk's office, at or before one o'clock afternoon of the day preceeding the Court-day when such Causes are to be called; And ordain the Clerk or his servant immediately thereafter to make up and subscribe a Roll of the whole Causes of which notes are so lodged, and to affix the same upon the wall of the Clerk's office, for the inspection of the Solicitors and all others concerned, with certification that no Cause shall be admitted to the Roll or moved in Court, unless enrolled agreeable to this regulation, new Causes only excepted; and appoint Sixpence sterling to be paid to the Clerk's servant for the Enrolment of every Cause relating to Adherence, Divorce, Marriage, Separation, Scandal and Executoy, excepting when these shall happen to be upon the Poins Roll; and ordain this Act to be publicly read in Court, and inserted in their Books of Sederunt.

(Signed) Andrew Balfour.
Ro. Craig.

6 February 1788, }
Reported in Court, }
A. B.

No. 2.

At Edinburgh, the 17th day of February eighteen hundred and six years.

THE Commissaries, taking into consideration that about twenty years ago they passed an Act of Sederunt, by which they authorized the small sum of Sixpence to be levied by the Clerk for each Enrolment;—that in the Court of Session a Fee of Three Shillings, and in the Court of Admiralty a Fee of One Shilling, is paid for the Enrolment of every Cause;—and that from the increased expense of living and other causes, it is reasonable that the Fee paid for Enrolments in this Court be increased;—therefore the Commissaries hereby enact and declare, That from and after the first day of March next, there shall be paid to the Clerk a Fee of One Shilling for each Enrolment in this Court, except by Parties suing or Defenders in forma pauperum.

The Commissaries further considering, that the Clerk, besides transmitting the Processes to be advised, with labels on each, showing the different Papers at vizandum, likewise extends two copies, one for the Process and another upon the Roll, of every Interlocutor pronounced in this Court; that no allowance is made to him for this, nor for keeping the Minute Book of the Processes put to vizandum, and his other trouble relative to the Advizings; although in the Court of Session a Fee of Three Shillings, and in the Court of Admiralty a Fee of Two Shillings, is received from each party by the Clerk for every Interlocutor, of which only one copy is by the practice of those Courts necessary;—therefore the Commissaries do hereby enact and declare, That from and after the said first day of March next, there shall be paid to the Clerk, by each party (except as in the case of Enrolments) a Fee of One Shilling for every Interlocutor reported in Court.

(Signed) Andrew Balfour.
J^r Anstruther.
Arch^d Campbell.

21st February 1806, }
Reported, }
A. B.

No. 3.

No. 3.

At Edinburgh, the 10th day of July 1812.

THE Commissaries having taken into their consideration, that *Charles Neaves* has for some time acted as Auditor of Court, by authority and appointment of Court, though no entry of his appointment has been made on the Records, and that he has in that capacity discharged his duty to the entire satisfaction of the Commissaries; therefore the Commissaries do hereby appoint the said *Charles Neaves* to be their Auditor of Accounts, during their pleasure.

(Signed)

*James Gordon.
James Fergusson,
Barret Bruce.*

(6.)—DIRECTOR OF THE COURT OF CHANCERY.

Report by *James Dundas*, Deputy Director of the Court of Chancery of Scotland.

Edinburgh, 24 May 1814.

IN obedience to an Order of the Honourable House of Commons, of the 10 May instant, I have to report, That there has been no Increase of rate of the Fees demanded or received in the Court of Chancery of Scotland, during twenty years, on the several Proceedings in the same.

James Dundas,

Deputy Director of the Court of Chancery of Scotland.

Copies of ACTS of the LORDS of SESSION of Scotland; dated 5 March 1789, and 7 March 1810:—Prepared pursuant to an Address of the House of Commons, of the 25th May 1814.

Copies from the Sederant Books of the Lords of Council and Session in Scotland;—viz.

- (1.)—ACT appointing all PAPERS presented to the Court, to be signed by Lawyers.
- (2.)—ACT of Sederant, regulating the FEES to the Keepers of the Inner House Roll.
- (3.)—ACT of Sederant, relative to the mode of Binding printed Papers for The Court, &c.

(1.)—ACT appointing all PAPERS presented to the Court, to be signed by Lawyers;—5th March 1789.

- 1 THE Lords having observed, that of late, many irregular Petitions and other Papers have been presented to the Court, signed by the Parties only, who are ignorant of the rules and forms of proceedings, which occasions much trouble and inconvenience to the Court; and considering that parties in indigent circumstances, if entitled to the benefit of the poor roll, may thereby obtain the assistance of Advocates, in drawing and signing such Papers as may be fit to be presented for them, in depending processes: Therefore the Lords Resolve, that for the future, they will not receive or give Deliverances on any Representations to Lord Ordinaries, or Recalling Petitions, either against Interlocutors of Ordinaries, or against Interlocutors of the whole Lords, or any Memorials, Informations, Answers or other Papers, given in to depending processes, signed by the parties, unless the said Papers are also signed by an Advocate. And they appoint this Resolution to be entered in the Books of Sederant, and published on the walls of the Inner and Outer House, in the usual manner.

JA. WALKER.

- 2 (2.)—ACT of Sederant, regulating the FEES to the Keepers of the Inner House Rolls.

Edinburgh, 7th March 1810.

THE Lords of Council and Session having taken into their consideration, that by the late Act of Parliament dividing the Court, there are now necessarily two Keepers of Inner House Rolls, viz. one for each division, and that the trouble and attendance of each Keeper is the same now as it was when the Office was held by one person; and likewise, that owing to alterations made within these some years past, upon the forms of procedure, the Fees payable by the present table do not afford a sufficient allowance to those Officers of Court: They do therefore hereby Repeal the Acts of Sederant of date 11th March 1791, and 16th January 1798, so far as they regulate the Fees payable to the Keepers of the Inner House Rolls, excepting as to any Arrears of Fees which may be due and exigible by the said Keepers, and incurred prior to the commencement of this Act; and they Appoint and Ordain, that from and after the 12th day of May next, the Fees and Emoluments payable to each of the said Keepers of the Inner House Rolls, shall be as specified in the following Table; and prohibit and discharge them and each of them, to demand or receive any Fees or Gratia other than those contained in the said Table, upon any pretence whatsoever:

1. That for every Position, Information, Memorial, Considerance, Objection, Answer, Reply, Duply, or any other Paper, in a cause appointed by the Lords, or by the Lord Ordinary, to be reported to the whole Court, there shall be paid the sum of Seven Shillings each Paper, at enrolling.

2. That for every Action of proving the treasor, sale, account of expense, report from a Lord Ordinary upon a remitted Petition for Money, getting up Bond of Caution, or any other cause, in the Summer Roll, (except process of Cessio honorum) there shall be paid by the parties Seven Shillings for each Enrolment; and where the cases in this Roll shall be determined upon printed Papers ordered by the Lords, or by the Lord Ordinary, upon report to the whole Court, a Fee of Seven Shillings each Paper shall be paid at enrolling, as in the immediately preceding article.

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3. That

3. That for enrolling every prepared State, or Memorial and Abstract in a Sale, there shall be paid by each party the sum of Ten Shillings.

4. That for a Hearing in presence, there shall be paid by each party (including as one of the days, the day of advising the cause) Fifteen Shillings for each day's pleading.

5. That for every Petition, Note or other Paper, in the Single Bill Roll, there shall be paid for enrolling, a Fee of Two Shillings and Sixpence each Paper; and there shall also be paid the further Fee of Two Shillings and Sixpence for every refused and remitted Petition.

6. That for Appendixes to printed Papers in the Inner House, there shall be paid One Shilling for each.

7. That there shall be paid at the Admission of every Notary Public, a Fee of Ten Shillings.

8. That in no case there shall be more than one Enrolment before an Interlocutor is pronounced, except where causes are put out in the Roll for reconsideration, when the votes are equal; in which cases there shall be paid for one Enrolment more, half the Fees of the first Enrolment; and also, excepting where Papers are of a very unusual length, and where, as consequence thereof, the cause shall be the only one in the short Roll for the day; then and in that case, there shall be paid by each party for enrolling the cause, Twenty Shillings. And the Lords Ordain the above-mentioned Fees for all Papers in the Single Bill Roll, to be paid to each of the Keepers, before the same shall be moved to the Court, with certification; and, till these Fees are paid, the Papers shall not be held as enrolled. Which Fees above-mentioned the Lords Ordain to be commensated by the two Keepers of the Inner House Rolls, one to another, so as each of them shall receive annually an equal share of their amount.

And in respect the Keeper of the Inner House Rolls for the first Division, as being Clerk to the Lord President, has necessarily the sole charge of all printed Papers in the Teind Court, and of keeping the Rolls thereof, the Lords Declare, that he shall receive the Fees arising therefrom for his own behoof exclusively, and without commensation. And it is further Declared, that the Fees of printed Papers in the Teind Court, shall be the same with those upon printed Papers of the same description given in to the Court of Session; that the Fees of Hearings in presence, shall also be the same; and that both shall be regulated in every respect by the above Table.

And appoint this Act to be recorded in the Books of Sederunt, and printed and published in the usual manner, for the information of all concerned.

(Signed)

RO. BLAIR, J. P. D.

Certified upon this and the five preceding pages [The folios of this page are placed in the margin] as True Copies from the Sederunt Books of the Lords of Council and Session in Scotland, by me, one of the principal Clerks of Session.

Comp^d A. W.

J. A. WALKER.

(3).—ACT of Sederunt of the LORDS of COUNCIL and SESSION; relative to the mode of Boxing printed Papers for THE COURT, &c.; and for collecting THE FEES and managing THE FUND of THE LORDS' CLERKS.

Edinburgh, 11th March 1814.

1. WHEREAS much irregularity takes place in the boxing of the printed papers, which are to be advised by the Judges sitting in the Inner Houses; and that the printing and transmitting the Suspensions and Advocations, Summonses and Defences, to the Lords, ordinary officiating in the outer House, as required by the forms, are neglected and deferred, so that the benefit expected from that measure is, in a great degree, lost; and, that the verbal injunctions given from the Chair of the Court, and repeated notices affixed to the walls, for the more correct boxing of papers, and other notifications to the same purpose, have proved ineffectual:

2. And whereas the Fees payable to the Lords' Clerks, have been rendered a common fund of Division among them, by the statute of the 50th of His present Majesty, c. 119, upon the institution of the permanent Lords ordinary taking place, but that no provision is made by the said statute, directing how the fund so rendered common, shall be levied, preserved and distributed:

3. And

3. And whereas, in consequence of the change which has recently taken place in the form of proceedings in the outer House, where causes are now chiefly discussed by means of argument at the bar, while reiterated reviews, by written pleadings, are circumscribed within narrow limits, the present fees payable to the Lords' Clerks, have suffered a very considerable diminution:

4. And whereas the Lords are informed, that the office, N^o 9. in the Register House, is not at present occupied, and without any inconvenience, may, at present, be employed for boxing the printed papers destined for the consideration of the Court, and for other similar purposes:

5. Therefore, in order to make some provision suited to these circumstances, till a more thorough consideration of them can be taken, the Lords Enact and Declare, That upon the rising of the Court for the ensuing vacation, the boxes of the thirteen ordinary Judges, together with those of other Judges or Officers, in which papers ought to be boxed (the boxes of the Lord President, and the Lord Justice Clerk being always excepted) shall be removed to the said office of the Register House; and that all boxing of printed papers, for the consideration of the said Judges, shall thereafter be competent only in the said office; nor shall any other delivery of any printed paper to the said Judges, or to any person in their behalf, exempt from the consequences of failure to box the same as required by the Acts of Sederunt: But it shall be deemed sufficient, with respect to those here boxed, that the papers be lodged therein during the hours of attendance of the Collector of the Fee-fund in the said office, upon the day when such boxing ought to take place.

6. And they further Enact and Ordain, That one or more of the Clerks of the Eight ordinary Inner House Judges, as may be arranged among them, by election or rotation, shall attend in the said office on all box days, during the hours when the Collector of the Fee-fund gives attendance in his office, previous to three o'clock, afternoon; and that every paper which ought regularly to be boxed in the boxes of all the Judges, shall pay a fee of Three Shillings sterling on being admitted to be so boxed, to the Lord's Clerk or Clerks officiating in the office at the time, who shall enter the same in a book or books to be there kept, and also make a jotting of the payment on the copy of the paper boxed, for the senior Judge of the Division to which it is destined; and the Clerk or Clerks so officiating shall be answerable that a Copy of each Paper, on which the said fee is thus paid, shall be duly deposited in the boxes lodged in the said Office, as authorized and ordained by former acts of Sederunt.

7. And it is further Enacted, That the Copies of Suspensions and Advocations, which are ordained to be printed and laid before the Lord ordinary in the outer House, before whom they are intailed, shall be deposited in his Lordship's box in said Office, on the Saturday previous to the Tuesday when the same ought to be called before him for discussion; and at the same time there shall be paid to the Lord's Clerk officiating, a fee of One Shilling sterling, which payment shall be entered in the book kept in the said Office, and a jotting of the same shall also be made by the said Clerk, upon the paper deposited in the box, otherwise the intailment shall be void; or if the failure arises from the neglect of the party who has not obtained the intailment, then the Lord Ordinary shall award a suitable indemnification: And in like manner, the Copies of the Summonses and Defences, appointed to be printed and laid before the Lord ordinary in the outer House, shall be deposited in his Lordship's box in the said Office, on the Tuesdays before the days when the Causes are intailed for hearing; and a fee of One Shilling sterling, shall in like manner be paid, entered, and jotted, otherwise the intailment shall be void: And if it happens, that a printed copy of the Summonses is boxed, and Defences are omitted to be printed and boxed, the Ordinary officiating shall proceed, as if the Defender had failed to lodge Defences, and shall not repose the party, till he indemnifies the expenses occasioned by his neglect.

8. And whereas, by Act of Sederunt of the 1st of August 1789, the fees payable to the Lords' Clerks at the signing of papers in the outer House processes, are ordained to be paid at the said signing, and that it is proper that this Act be now enforced, in order that the fund rendered common be made effectual; it is therefore Enacted, That all fees of this description shall be paid to the Collector officiating at said Office, and shall be entered in his book, and also jotted on the paper given in, or inventory thereof, before it is laid before the Lord ordinary, who is hereby prohibited from writing thereon, unless such jotting is found at the signing.

9. And it is Enacted and Declared, That the fees thus received at said Office, shall be regularly paid in at the expiry of every fortnight, or on the first lawful day thereafter, by the Clerk or Clerks who officiated during said fortnight, to an account of deposit, to be opened with the house of Sir William Forbes, James Hunter & Company, in the name of such of the thirteen Lords' Clerks as they shall elect for the purpose, and that on point of deprivation.

10. And in order that the funds, since the institution of Permanent Lords ordinary took effect, may be correctly ascertained and properly distributed, the Lords ordain the said thirteen Clerks to elect a Committee of their number upon the rising of the present Session, and to give in to the said Committee, a faithful and accurate statement of their receipts of fees of all descriptions, from the said institution having taken effect, down to the close of the

the present Session; and the Lords ordain the said Committee to prepare a general state of the said receipts, together with a scheme for the general distribution thereof, and to lay copies of the state and scheme before the Lord President, and the Lord Justice Clerk, who, or either of them, are hereby authorised to make such order for methodizing, correcting and carrying into execution the said state and scheme of distribution, as may appear to them, or either of them, proper and adequate for the purpose. And it is hereby enacted, That a similar mode of ascertaining the amount of the fees, and distributing the same, shall be adopted during the first week after the close of the Summer Session, and after the commencement of the Christmas Recess, till a different arrangement is adopted: and in order that the separate receipts of the several Lords' Clerks may correctly appear in time to come, they are hereby enjoined to enter as diets in their several books of enrolment, all those proceedings on which fees are at present chargeable, and to exact the same to the amount authorized by the several Acts of Sederunt, as charges due on occasion of the procedure to take place at said diets.

11. And whereas, by the Act of Sederunt of 9th June 1805, the Charitable fund raised by the contribution of the said Clerks, and destined for the relief of their families in particular circumstances, is recognized as a proper measure, and a fee of Sixpence on the first enrolment of every cause in the outer House, and a like fee on presenting of every Bill of Suspension and Adjournal is ordered to be levied by the Keeper of the outer House Rolls, and by the Clerk of the Bills respectively; and when not required for the support of the Clerk of the Senior Lord ordinary, exempted from outer House duties, on account of particular circumstances, "shall be accounted for by the said Collectors of them to the persons who act as Trustees upon the common fund already belonging to the said Clerks, and shall be applied from time to time under the direction of a Committee of the said Lords, to be appointed by the Court, as occasion may require." And whereas this fund, so far as arisen since the 12th day of July last, has, in consequence of the death of Lord Craig, remained in the hands of the Collectors; it is therefore enacted and ordered, that in conformity to the said Act of Sederunt, the said duties shall be paid over to the manager or managers of the said Charitable fund, on their receipt for the same till further order.

12. And the said Clerks are enjoined to provide, by an arrangement among themselves, that the requisite attendance and attention be given to transact the business elsewhere incumbent on the Clerk or Clerks officiating in the Register House; so that no neglect or just complaints, on this account be occasioned.

13. And it is further Enacted, That causes admitted to the benefit of the poor's roll remain on their former footing, as to the exemption of Peupers from the fees of Court.

14. And it is also Declared, That those Acts of Sederunt, by which the Fees that are in use to be paid were imposed, shall remain in force during the operation of the present Act; and that this Act shall continue in force only till further order.

Camp^d A. W.

(Signed) C. HOPE, J. P. D.

What is contained on the Eight preceding pages [*The folios of this paging are placed in the Margin*] is a True Copy of the Act of Sederunt mentioned on the first page heretofore, and is certified as such by me, one of the Principal Clerks of Session in Scotland.

Edinburgh, }
15 May 1814. }

J. A. WALKER.

III.—IRELAND.

THE COURT OF CHANCERY IN IRELAND.

(1.)—Masters in Chancery, Ireland.

IN obedience to the Order of the Right Honourable and Honourable the Commons of The United Kingdom, bearing date the 2d May 1814, the undersigned, the Masters of His Majesty's High Court of Chancery in Ireland, beg leave to state, for the information of the Right Honourable and Honourable the House of Commons, That there has not been any Increase of the Rates of Fees demanded and received by them respectively, on the several or any of the Proceedings in their respective Offices, for the last twenty years, save where the present silver coinage (being 2s. 6d.—10d. and 5d. pieces) necessarily (and occasionally only) makes the following variations in the Fees received, but not demanded, on taking Affidavits; viz. In Affidavits made in Causes, they sometimes (and when change cannot be procured) receive 15d. being two-pence over the shilling; the Fee for taking an Affidavit in a Cause in Court, as formerly charged, and as often in the Affidavits made in Minor, Lunatic and Bankruptcy matters, and in the swearing the return of all Commissions for taking Answers and Depositions, they receive 2s. 6d. only, being 2½d. less than the half crown, which was the Fee formerly received for taking Affidavits in such cases.

May 14th 1814.

Stewart King.
Thomas Ellis.

Edward Westby.
William Henn.

(2.)—Six Clerks Offices, Ireland.

NO Increase whatever in our Fees, during twenty years; which we certify this 21st of May 1814.

Thomas Spenser.
Michael Mills.
Francis Dwyer.

Alex. Brennan.
Edw. Woods.
James Streetly.

(3.)—Crown and High Sheriff, Ireland.

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, bearing date the thirty-first day of March last, and which has only been this day received in this Office, I humbly certify, That there has been no Increase of Rate of the Fees demanded and received in this Office, on the several proceedings in the same, for the last twenty years.

Dated this seventeenth day of May 1814.

Tho. Bourchier,
Dep. Clerk Crown and High Sheriff.

(4.)—Chancery Register Office, Ireland.

RETURN, pursuant to Order of the House of Commons, dated 2d May 1814, of any Increase of Rate of Fees demanded and received by the Officers on the several Proceedings in the same, during twenty years, and under what Authority.

No increase whatever. Which we certify this 14 day of May 1814.

Fran. Prendergast, } Dep. Reg.
Chas P. Aspf, }

(5).—Usher's Office.

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, bearing date the thirty-first day of March last, this day received, I humbly certify, That there has not been any Increase of the Rate of the Fees demanded or received in the Usher's Office of the High Court of Chancery in Ireland, by the Usher or his Deputy, on the several Proceedings in the same, for the last four years, during which I have held the office of Deputy Usher; and after minute enquiry I find, that there has not been any such Increase within the last twenty years. Dated this seventeenth day of May 1814.

*Robt French, Dep. Usher,
Court of Chancery.*

(6).—Accountant General's Office.

PURSUANT to the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons of The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, bearing date the 2d day of May instant, I hereby humbly certify, That there hath not been any rise of Fees in the Office of the Accountant General of the Court of Chancery, within the last twenty years.

Henry Cope, Acc^t Gen^l of the Court of Chancery.

Examined,—Richard Davis, Deputy,
17th May 1814.

(7).—Clerk of the Report Office.

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, of the 2d day of May 1814, I, John Pollock, Esq. Clerk of the Report Office of His Majesty's Court of Chancery in Ireland, do humbly report, That no Fees are payable in the said Report Office for the several Proceedings that are appointed by Act of Parliament to be taken therein, and that there has not been any Increase of Rate of the Fees demanded and received in the said Office during the said period, on the several Proceedings in the same, or any of them.

All which I humbly certify this 19 May 1814.

John Pollock.

(8).—Cunliffe's Office, Ireland.

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, bearing date the 31st day of March last, and duly received this day in this Office, I humbly certify, That there has not been any Increase of Rate of the Fees demanded and received in this Office, on the several Proceedings in the same, for the last thirteen years ending 29th January last, that being the period during which I have served the office of Cunsitor; and I further certify, that there has not been, to my knowledge or belief, any Increase of Rate of the Fees demanded and received in this Office for twenty years past. Dated this 17th day of May 1814.

Thos. Prendergast, Cunsitor.

(9).—Chief Examiner of the Court of Chancery in Ireland.

THERE has not been any Increase of Rate of the Fees demanded and received in this Office during the occupancy of the present Chief Examiner, being a period of nearly ten years; nor is he aware of any such Increase having been demanded or received for ten years previously to his appointment.

Chief Exam^r Office,
20th May 1814.

*Thos. Quinn,
Chief Exam^r C. Chan^r.*

(10).—Clerk of the Recognizances of His Majesty's High Court of Chancery, in Ireland.

THERE has been no Increase in the Rate of Fees since my appointment to the Office, on the 7th November 1812. And the only Increase of Rate of Fees which I can ascertain to have taken place within the last twenty years, is the difference between 17s. 4d. originally charged for filing and enrolling a Recognizance, and 20s. now charged; such Increase, however, being restricted to such cases only where a Certificate of such Enrolment is required and given: And I cannot ascertain under what Authority such Increase was made, but believe it arose four or five years since.

Dublin, May 17th, 1814.

W. E. Porter, Clk. Recogn^{ces}.

(11).—Lord

(11.)—Lord Chancellor's Secretary.

THERE has been no Increase in the Rate of Fees during the period I have been in Office, from 1st May 1807, to the present time. And none for the preceding thirteen years, according to the strictest enquiry in my power to make.

Dublin, May 14, 1814.

Thomas Lockwood, Secretary.

(12.)—Pursuant of the Court of Chancery.

THERE has been no Increase during twenty years.

12th May, 1814.

Don. Mc Kay, Pursuit.

(13.)—Crier of His Majesty's High Court of Chancery of Ireland.

THERE has been no Increase within twenty years.

Dublin, May 13, 1814.

Gavin Lane, Crier.

(14.)—Rolls Office in Chancery, Ireland.

IN obedience to the Orders of the Honourable the House of Commons, bearing date the 31st day of March last, and 2d day of May instant, I humbly certify, That there has not been any Increase of Rate of the Fees demanded and received in this Office, on the several Proceedings in the same, for the last twenty years.—Dated this seventeenth day of May, 1814.

R. Wogan, Deputy Keeper of the Rolls.

(15.)—Office of Bankruptcy, Ireland.

A RETURN of the Rate of all Fees, Gratuities and Emoluments, taken or demanded by any Officer in the Office of Bankruptcy of Ireland.

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Striking Docquet - - - - -			
Filing petitioning Creditors Affidavit - - - - -			
Attesting Copy - - - - -			
Bond to Great Seal - - - - -			
Petition - - - - -	9.	2.	0.
Stamp Duty for same - - - - -			
Take for Fiat - - - - -			
And the Commission of Bankrupt - - - - -			
A Search - - - - -	0.	3.	4.
A Search and Certificate - - - - -	0.	6.	8.
Attending any of the Courts of Law in Dublin, with an Original Record from day to day, until Trial comes on, and attending the Trial - - - - -	1.	2.	9.
A Petition upon which one or more Order or Orders is or are made - - - - -	1.	2.	9.
Filing an Affidavit and attesting the Copy (except such as are herein particularly mentioned) the first sheet thereof - - - - -	0.	1.	6.
Every succeeding sheet - - - - -	0.	1.	0.
An attested Copy of such Affidavit - - - - -			same Fees.
Filing a Report and attesting Copy, the first sheet - - - - -	0.	5.	6.
Every succeeding sheet - - - - -	0.	1.	0.
An attested Copy of such Report, the first sheet - - - - -	0.	1.	6.
Every succeeding sheet - - - - -	0.	1.	0.
And if such attested Copy of Affidavit or Report is made out in the Office, and not by the Solicitor, Clerk copying same per sheet - - - - -	0.	0.	2.
An Order, the first sheet - - - - -	0.	1.	6.
Every succeeding sheet - - - - -	0.	1.	0.
Clerk copying same, per sheet - - - - -	0.	0.	2½.
Filing Consent of Creditors to Surrender - - - - -			
Filing Affidavits of perfection thereof - - - - -			
Filing Letters of Attorney, under which Signatures have been affixed - - - - -			
Filing Affidavit of Bankrupt - - - - -	7.	7.	10½.
Order - - - - -			
The Writ of Surrender - - - - -			
Notice in Gazette thereof, and insertion therein - - - - -			
Notice for Gazette, for allowance of Certificate, and inserting same therein - - - - -			
Filing Affidavits of Witnesses to the perfection thereof - - - - -	6.	16.	6.
Filing Powers of Attorney under which same has been signed - - - - -			
Filing Affidavit of Bankrupt, and Confirmation of the Certificate - - - - -			
A Subpoena for Costs, including Stamp Duty - - - - -	0.	15.	4.
An Attachment, including Stamp Duty - - - - -	1.	11.	7.

Bankrupt Office,
Dublin.

Don. Mc Kay,
Dep^t Sect of Bankrupts.

THE COURT OF KING'S BENCH IN IRELAND.

(1.)—Deputy Prothonotaries.

THE Return of the Deputy Prothonotaries of the Court of King's Bench in Ireland, in obedience to the Order of the Honourable House of Commons, of 31st March and 2d May, 1814.

THE said Deputy Prothonotaries humbly certify and return to this Honourable House, That the said recited Order of the 31st day of March, or any copy thereof, was never served on them or on any Judge or Officer of the said Court; and that the copy of the said Order of the 2d day of May, was delivered to the said Deputy Prothonotaries on the 12th day of May, during the present Easter Term.

And the said Deputy Prothonotaries further humbly certify and return to this Honourable House, in obedience to the said Order, That the following Increase of the Rate of Fees has been received by the Judges and Officers of the said Court, within twenty years last past, that is to say;

The Fee to the Court, on swearing every Affidavit before the Court, and to any Judge thereof, before whom such Affidavit is sworn, when the same is sworn out of Court, has been increased from one Shilling British, to one Shilling and Sixpence British; which said Increase was made in or about Hilary Term 1800, during the time of the late Chief Justice of the said Court, and in consequence of directions given by the said late Chief Justice to the said Deputy Prothonotaries, to equalize that Fee with the same Fee in the other two Law Courts.

And the said Deputy Prothonotaries further humbly certify and return, That in consequence of the great public Injury and Inconvenience arising from the forgery of Writs of the said Court, whereby persons were illegally arrested, it was, upon the 28th day of November, 1800, ordered by the said Court, "That no Writ whatever should from thenceforth be passed under the Seal, that should not be first signed by the Prothonotary or his Deputy, and also that the Prothonotary or his Deputy should make entries in a Book to be kept for that purpose, of every Writ so signed." In consequence of which a Fee of Sixpence on each Writ, was charged and received by the said Deputy Prothonotaries, under the sanction and direction of the said late Chief Justice, on the entry and signing of each Writ.

And the said Deputy Prothonotaries further humbly certify, That they have diligently enquired from the several other Officers of this Court, (viz. the Deputy Clerk of the Crown, the Deputy Philazer, the Deputy Clerk of the Rules, the Tipstaff and Sealkeeper), respecting the Increase of the Rate of Fees within the last twenty years, and beg leave to refer to their returns, copies of which are herewith annexed; and we find that the Officer who was appointed by the Court to register the Attornies names, pursuant to an Act of Parliament passed in the 45th year of His Majesty's reign, (under the authority of the said Act) charged and received a Fee of One Shilling for each name so entered or registered, pursuant to the directions of said Act, but no greater Fee.

And the said Deputy Prothonotaries further humbly certify and return, That there has been no further or other Increase of the Rate of the Fees demanded or received in the said Court of King's Bench, by the said Judges or Officers of the said Court, within twenty years last past; all which we certify and return this 19th day of May, 1814.

Rowley Heyland. } Deputy
Robert Hamblin. } Prothonotaries.

(2.)—Deputy Clerk of the Crown.

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, bearing date the 2d day of May, 1814, I humbly certify, That there has not been any Increase of the Rate of Fees demanded or received in the Crown Office of his Majesty's Court of King's Bench in Ireland, by the Clerk of the Crown or his Deputy, on the several Proceedings in the same, for the last sixteen years, during which I have held the office of Deputy Clerk of the Crown; and I do not know of any such Increase within twenty years. Dated this 14th May, 1814.

Walter Bearn, }
Deputy Clerk Crown, K. B.

(3.)—Deputy

(3.)—Deputy Filicers.

IN obedience to the Orders of the Honourable House of Commons, bearing date the 2d day of May, 1814, We humbly certify, That there has not been any Increase of the Rate of Fees demanded or received in the Filicers Office of His Majesty's Court of King's Bench in Ireland, by the Filicer or his Deputy, on the several Proceedings in the same, for the last twenty years which we have held the office of Deputy Filicer. Dated this 14th day of May, 1814.

Thomas Church } Deputy Filicers.
 Dawson Church }

(4.)—Deputy Clerk of the Rules.

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, made on the 2d day of May 1814, I humbly certify, as Clerk of the Rules and Orders of His Majesty's Court of King's Bench in Ireland, That for these twenty years past there has not been any Increase whatever in the Fees of said Office.

From the very great increase of the business of the Law Courts, that for the public convenience and advantage, orders made in Chamber by the respective Judges of the said Court of King's Bench within twenty years past have very much increased; and it being necessary for me, as Clerk of the Rules and Orders, to attend the said Judges in their respective Chambers on the making of such Orders, the Attorney soliciting such Order, or to be benefited thereby, pays me for my attendance on the Judge in Chamber, and taking down such Order as the Judge shall make, and afterwards attending at the King's Bench Office and entering such Order in the Rule Book of said Court, which is necessary to be done before such Order can be acted on or enforced; for which duty and attendance I am allowed by the Attorney soliciting such Order 6s. 8d. and which is also the allowance taken by the other Courts of Law for similar duty and attendance. Dated the 18th day of May 1814.

Godfrey Jamer,
 Dr Clerk of the Rules and Orders of the Court of King's Bench.

(5.)—The Tipstaff.

IN obedience to the Order of the Right Honourable and Honourable the House of Commons, bearing date the 2d of May instant, I beg leave to state, That I have for the last twelve years executed the office of Tipstaff of the Court of King's Bench in Ireland, and that there has not, during that period, taken place any Increase whatever of Fees in the said office; nor has the Rate of Fees demanded or received by me or in my Office in that department undergone any change or increase whatever; and I further beg leave to state, that I believe that no Increase of Fees took place in the said office for the eight years previous to my appointment thereto; which I certify this 19th of May 1814.

Benj^r Riky, Tipstaff, K. B.

(6.)—The Seal Keeper.

IN pursuance of the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, made on the 2d day of May 1814, I humbly certify, That there has not been any Increase of Rate of the Fees demanded and received in the Seal Office of His Majesty's Court of King's Bench in Ireland, for five years, during which period I have held the said office; nor has there been any Increase in such Fees, to my knowledge, for the last twenty years. Dated this 18th day of May 1814.

Henry Yeo,
 Seal Keeper of His Majesty's Court of King's Bench, in Ireland.

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS IN IRELAND.

(1.)—Deputy Prothonotaries.

THE Return of the Deputy Prothonotaries of the Court of Common Pleas, in that part of The United Kingdom called Ireland.

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable House of Commons, of 31st March and 2d May 1814, the said Deputy Prothonotaries humbly certify and return to this Honourable House, That the said recited Order of 31st March was never served on them, or any Judge or Officer of the said Court; and that the Copy of the said Order of the 2d May was delivered to the said Deputy Prothonotaries on the 19th day of May during the present Easter Term.

And the said Deputy Prothonotaries further humbly certify to this Honourable House, That they have been authorized by the Chief Justice, on behalf of his Lordship and the other Judges of the said Court, to return, That there has not been any Increase of the Rate of Fees paid or demanded by his Lordship as Chief Justice, or the other Judges of the said Court, since the granting of their several Patents, and which Fees received by them were demanded and received by their Predecessors as Judges of the said Court; save and except that in the year 1803, when this Honourable House was pleased to pass an Act to assimilate the practice of the Law Courts in this part of The United Kingdom called Ireland, the Seal on all Capias's that from thence issued, was increased from one Shilling to One Shilling British, to make the Fee on the Seal of the Common Pleas correspond with the Fee on the Seal of the King's Bench: this increase took place by the directions of the Chief Justice on a conference with the other Judges, with an intent to equalize the Fee under the Act of Parliament.

The said Deputy Prothonotaries further humbly certify and return, That there has been no Increase of the Rate of Fees received or demanded by them on the proceedings in their Office, since their appointment in Michaelmas Term 1800; and they humbly certify and return, that they have made diligent enquiry what were the Rate of Fees received and demanded by their Predecessors in office for the six years preceding their appointment, and find that they were the same as now received.

And the said Deputy Prothonotaries further humbly certify and return, That they have diligently enquired from the several Officers of this Court, viz. the Deputy Custos Brevium, and Chirographer, the Clerk of the Rules and Entries, the Deputy Filacer and Exigenter, the Clerks of the Juries, Errors, and Essoigns, and Clerk of the Warrants and Estreats respectively, the Increase of the Rate of Fees in their several Offices, within the last twenty years, and beg leave to refer this Honourable House to the returns of said Officers, Copies of which they humbly beg leave to annex to this their return.—The Tipstaff of said Court having made no return.

And the said Deputy Prothonotaries further humbly certify, That there has been no further or other Increase of the Rate of Fees demanded or received in the said Court of Common Pleas by the said Judges or Officers, within twenty years last past. All which we humbly certify and return this 19th May 1814.

Geo. Hill,
Richard Hill, } Deputy Prothonotaries.

(2.)—Custos Brevium and Chirographer.

RETURN of Increase of Rate of Fees in the Offices of Custos Brevium and Chirographer of His Majesty's Court of Common Pleas, Ireland, for twenty years, pursuant to Order.

	CUSTOS BREVIUM.	s.	d.
On filing original Writs issuing out of the Court of Chancery (except Writs of Covenant) and Writs having Inquisitions, &c. annexed	- - - - -	3.	0.
On filing Writ of Covenant	- - - - -	1.	4.
Every Writ issuing out of the Court of Common Pleas	- - - - -	0.	8.
Filing and entering Exigent	- - - - -	1.	4.
Amendment of any Writ or Return, by Order of Court	- - - - -	1.	6.
Record, &c. brought into Court at desire of Party, for amendment	- - - - -	2.	0.
Certificate	- - - - -	1.	6.
Copy Writ under six Sheets, or one Roll	- - - - -	1.	10.
Copy Writ amounting to six Sheets, or one Roll	- - - - -	0.	4.

The ancient Fee of 3s. 4d. on every Search, above five years from the time of Search, has been altered to 5s. 4d. for every five years searched beyond the four last Terms; and for the current year, or four Terms preceding the time of Search, 1s. 1d. has been charged instead of 4d. for every Term, which was the ancient Fee. This charge is more a regulation

tion of time than any certain Increase, as the four Terms, at the old Fee of 4d. each Term, would amount to 1s. 4d.; and for five years back from present time, beyond which a Search for Writs is scarcely ever extended, would amount to 6s. 8d.

CHIROGRAPHER.

	s.	d.
On returning Writ of Covenant	1.	4.
Filing Cessante of Fine	2.	4.
Note of Fine enrolled	3.	0.
Examining and Attesting the two Indentures of every Fine	5.	0.
Clerk Engrossing same	5.	5.
On Entering, Filing, and Recording same	10.	0.
Note of Fine	3.	0.
Four Proclamations	2.	0.
Entering and Endorsing same	4.	6.
Entering and Posting on Tables in Court, Examining, &c.	1.	6.
Filing Dedimus for Fine when by Commission	3.	4.
Filing Affidavit	1.	6.
Endorsing Claim on back of Fine	3.	4.

On Engrossing the Indentures of Fine, there has been no Increase in the Rate of the Fees; but in having been considered advantageous that the Engrossing should be done in a larger and more permanent manner, it became necessary to allot an entire Roll to each Indenture, instead of crowding the two Indentures into one Roll (which was the old way,) by which means the Indentures of every Fine of the common length extends to two Rolls, but the ancient Charge of 15s. per Roll remains unaltered.

The Fee of 3s. 4d. on every Search for ten years, which was a diminution of the ancient Fee made by the Officer previous to the last twenty years, has been altered to 5s. 4d. for every five years. This Charge is considerably less than that which was returned to Parliament in 1734, which being 4 per Term, would amount to 13s. 4d. for ten years.

D. Bobington.

The foregoing Sums appear to me to be the only Increase that has taken place on the Fees, in these Offices, since the year 1734. But I cannot state by what authority the Increase has been made, not having been able to communicate with the Patentee, who is at present in England.

Dublin, 19 May, 1814.

W^m Fessier,
Dep^y Censor Brevium & Chirographer.

(A Copy.)

C. P.

(5.)—Clerks of the Rules and Orders.

I, Peter Jackson, Clerk of the Rules and Entries of the Common Pleas Office of His Majesty's Court of Common Pleas in Ireland, do humbly report, That there has not been any Increase of Rate of the Fees demanded and received in the said Office of the Common Pleas during the said period, on the several Proceedings in the same or any of them. All which I humbly certify this 18th day of May 1814.

Peter Jackson,
Clk. Rules and Entries.

(A Copy.)

(4.)—Filers and Exigents.

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, bearing date the second day of May instant, I humbly certify, That there has not been any Increase of Rate of the Fees demanded and received in the Filers and Exigents Offices of His Majesty's Court of Common Pleas in Ireland, on the several Proceedings in the said Offices, for the last six years, that being the period since my appointment to said Offices. And I further certify, that, on every enquiry that could be made on the subject, the same Rate of Fees as now paid to and received by me, are the same as were paid to and received by my predecessors for the last twenty years, and previous to my coming into office. Dated this 18th of May 1814.

John Clenny,
Dep^y Fil^r.

(A Copy.)

(5.)—Clerks of the Juries, &c.

WE, the Clerks of the Juries, Errors and Escoigns of His Majesty's Court of Common Pleas in Ireland, humbly certify, That no Increase of Rate of the Fees demanded and received by us, has taken place during the last twenty years.

May 18th, 1814.

And^s Reid.
Joseph Reid.

(A Copy.)

Clerks of the Juries, Errors and Escoigns.

(5.)—Clerk

(6.)—Clerk of the Warrants and Estreats.

Francis Pierpoint Hewitt, esquire, Clerk of the Warrants and Estreats of His Majesty's Court of Common Pleas in Ireland, in compliance with the Order of the House of Commons, returns, That the Fees demandable and received by him in virtue of his said Office, for the last twenty years, have continued the same, and that he has not charged or received any Increase of Fees during that period.

19th May 1814.

Fran^s Pierp^t Hewitt.

(A Copy.)

(7.)—Cryer, and Tipstaff.

Francis Pierpoint Hewitt, esquire, Cryer and Tipstaff of His Majesty's Court of Common Pleas in Ireland, in compliance with the Order of the House of Commons, returns, That the Fees demandable and received by him in virtue of his said Offices, for the last twenty years, have continued the same; and that he has not charged or received any Increase of Fees during that period.

19th May 1814.

Fran^s Pierp^t Hewitt.

THE COURT OF EXCHEQUER IN IRELAND.

(1.)—Barons of the Exchequer.

PURSUANT to an Order of the House of Commons, made on the 31st day of March last, and served on the 11th day of May inst. "That there be laid before the House a Return of any Increase of Rate of the Fees demanded and received in the several superior Courts of Justice, Civil or Ecclesiastical, of The United Kingdom, by the Judges and Officers of such Courts, during twenty years, on the several Proceedings in the same:—"

I humbly certify, by direction of the Lord Chief Baron and the Barons of the Court of Exchequer respectively, That there has not been any Increase of Rate of the Fees demanded and received by them respectively, within twenty years, according to their information and belief; except as follows:—

At all times they and their predecessors have received the same Fee on taking an Affidavit out of Court, that would be received by the Usher if it was sworn in Court, otherwise almost all Affidavits would be sworn out of Court, and thereby the Usher, who is appointed by the Crown, would be deprived of a principal part of his profits, and the Barons subjected to very great inconvenience; and accordingly they have received five-pence additional, on taking Affidavits out of Court, since the Usher was directed to receive that sum, in lieu of the ancient Fees claimed by the Lord Chief Baron's Clerk, and the Cryer of the Court of Exchequer.

On Affidavits taken in Court, One Shilling only is received by the Usher for the Court, though it is conceived that the Chief Baron is entitled to 1 s. 6d. at the Law Side; and for many years past, commencing in the time of the Chief Baron's immediate predecessor, the said Fee of One Shilling paid upon Affidavits sworn in Court, has been divided amongst the three Barons, and the Chief Baron does not receive any part of it.

The Chief Baron has been informed, that the Fees on Bills of Costs, on the Equity side of the Court, which are now received in English Money, have been received in Irish Money, within twenty years; and if this be so, the Increase amounts to about Five Pounds a year on an average.—All which I certify this 20th day of May 1814.

Chas Fleetwood, Joint Usher.

(2.)—Examiner.

PURSUANT to the prefixed Order, I have the honour to state, That in the month of May in the year 1794, I was appointed Examiner to the honourable Baron George; and that since that period there has not been any Increase in the Fees demanded or paid to me, in the execution of the duties of my office.

William Croker,
Examiner to the Hon^{ble} Baron George.

(3.)—Chief

(3.)—Chief Remembrancer.

IN obedience to the prefixed Orders of the Honourable House of Commons, 31 March and 2 May 1814, I certify, That there has not been any Increase whatever in the Fees payable to the Chief Remembrancer, within twenty years last past.

Dublin, 18th May 1814.

Fred. Thompson,
Deputy Chief Remembrancer.

(4.)—Deputy Chief Remembrancer.

IN obedience to the prefixed Orders, the Deputy Chief Remembrancer of His Majesty's Court of Exchequer in Ireland, begs leave to state, That there has not been any Alteration or Increase in the Fees demanded or received in his Office, (save the single exception of Sixpence on each Exhibit, as hereinafter mentioned,) since his appointment, which took place on the 31st day of August 1804, when he was delivered a Schedule of the Fees receivable by him in virtue of such office, by Thomas Evans, Esq. then acting in the same Office as locum tenens of Sir John Macartney, Bart. the immediate predecessor in Office of the present Deputy, and who had held the same upwards of twenty years,) according to which Schedule, the present Deputy has been graded in the Receipt of Fees for the execution of his duties; but the said Thomas Evans, having omitted to state in said Return, the Fees payable on the Attendances of the Deputy Remembrancer, on references in taking Accounts under the Decrees or Orders of the Court, the present Deputy enquired what was the usage of the Masters of the Court of Chancery, for the like business, they being the only Officers whose duties assimilate to that of the Deputy Chief Remembrancer; and in consequence of the information then received, he regulated his Fee on such Attendances, and upon the Vouchers exhibited on such References, according to the charge made by such Masters, which has been uniformly 11s. 4½d. on each Attendance, and 2s. 6d. on each Voucher so exhibited. It is observable, however, that in the Schedule of Fees so delivered to him, on his appointment, the Fee for Attendances on such References, must have been accidentally omitted; as for Attendances in all other instances, which are not nearly so laborious, the accustomed Fee paid to his predecessor was 6s. 8d.

The Increase herein before alluded to, of 6d. on each Exhibit, the present Deputy made, in order to assimilate the Fee with that charged for like business by Masters of the Court of Chancery; and which, he submits, he was sufficiently justified in making, in conformity to the usage of those Officers; which Increase of 6d. is the only one known, by the present Deputy, to have taken place in his Office for the twenty years last past.

Dublin, 18th May 1814.

Fred. Thompson,
Deputy Chief Remembrancer.

(5.)—Registrar.

IN obedience to the prefixed Order I certify, That in Easter Term one thousand eight hundred and five, I was appointed Register of His Majesty's Court of Exchequer in Ireland, and I certify, That there has been no Increase in my Fees therein since my appointment, nor within those Twenty years to my knowledge; save a Fee of Two Shillings and Two Pence paid on *Along Notices* and *listing Motions*, and which commenced in Michaelmas Term one thousand eight hundred and nine, when it was for the first time directed by the Court, that such Notices should be filed, and the Motions listed by the Register; and which Fee of Two Shillings and Two Pence was considered a reasonable Charge for this Trouble.—All which I certify this 31st day of May 1814.

Frederic H. Biddulph, Regt.

(6.)—Register of the Court of Exchequer.

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, of the 27th of May last, I humbly certify, That at foot is a Schedule of all Fees, Gratuities and Emoluments, received and paid to me, as Register of his Majesty's Court of Exchequer in Ireland, and I certify, That the Clerks in my Department, whose Returns are herewith sent, namely, *Joseph Price* and *William R. Steele*, are the only persons receiving Fees in the Register's Office, and hold their respective employments under appointments from the chief Remembrancer of the said Court.

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A List

A List of all Fees, Gratuities and Emoluments, received by me as Register of his Majesty's Court of Exchequer in Ireland.

Fees on settling Decrees, charged by me according to the length and trouble in settling same, they often running from fifty to two thousand office sheets; and which manner of charging has been the usage from time immemorial:—

	£.	s.	d.
Fees on entering and certifying every Exhibit - - - - -	0.	4.	6.
D ^r on totting interest, each tot - - - - -	-	-	0.
D ^r on every former sheet on final Decrees - - - - -	0.	1½ d.	per sheet.
D ^r on every former Roll on - D ^r - - - - -	3.	4.	per Roll.
D ^r on every Rule to regain - - - - -	2.	6.	
D ^r on every Rule to dismiss a Bill, for want of a Replication - - - - -	2.	6.	
D ^r on every Fine imposed on an Attorney - - - - -	4.	6.	
D ^r on every Roll, 1 s. per Roll of eight sheets.			
D ^r on comparing any Document from my Office, to be proved as an Exhibit on any Trial - - - - -	0.	3.	4.
D ^r paid to me by the Chief Remembrancer, each Term - - - - -	25.	0.	0.
D ^r on every Attendance before a Baron, at his house or elsewhere. } Attendances of this kind are rare, on an average not amounting to } twenty in the year; they occur mostly in vacation, when the Court } is not sitting	1.	2.	9.
D ^r on Filing a Notice and listing an Equity Motion - - - - -	0.	2.	2.
To be paid out of the above to the Clerks, Sixpence per Roll for enrolling all Decrees.			
Clerks Term—Fees Two Pounds Sixteen Shillings and Tenpence halfpenny every Michaelmas Term, and Six Shillings and Sixpence every other Term. Dated this 20th day of June 1814.			

FRANCIS H. BIDDLEPH, Reg^r.

(7.)—Register's Office, Exchequer.

IN obedience to an Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, bearing date the 27th day of May last, I humbly certify, That as Clerk in said Office, I receive as follows; viz.

	£.	s.	d.
As Clerk in this Office, I receive from Chief Remembrancer, per annum - - - - -	28.	0.	0.
On Submission Order - - - - -	0.	1.	5.
On Consent Order - - - - -	0.	1.	2.
D ^r on Absolute Order - - - - -	0.	0.	11.
D ^r on Conditional Order - - - - -	0.	0.	9.
D ^r on Injunction Order - - - - -	0.	3.	7½.
D ^r Copy of Orders - - - - -	0.	1.	10.
D ^r on each Fine - - - - -	0.	1.	0.
D ^r on Copy of each Rule unattested - - - - -	0.	2.	6.
D ^r on each Bill of Cost - - - - -	0.	0.	2.
D ^r on Certificates - - - - -	0.	0.	3.
D ^r on plain Copies of all Records, per sheet - - - - -	0.	0.	2.
Gratuities on Money Orders left at the discretion of the parties taking same, } since the appointment of Accountant General in 1783 - - - - - }			
On every one hundred Office sheets of Records copied by me, Fee - - - - -	0.	11.	4½.
One Halfpenny per sheet which is allowed to me by the Chief Remembrancer, } for paying Clerks for copying Records, being now insufficient for that } purpose, the Fees on Copies are received by me in English money, that is } One Halfpenny per Office sheet additional, and which is submitted, as } now a moderate charge for Clerks and Scriveners labour - - - - - }			

I humbly beg leave to observe, that the entire duty of making out and issuing all Orders, posting the Books and arranging the Office, a matter of much labour and constant attention, devolves on me, and those paid by me at a very considerable reduction from the foregoing profits.

JOSEPH PRICE,
Clerk in the Register's Office.

(8.)—Clerk in Registers Office, Exchequer.

IN obedience to an Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, bearing date the 27th May last, I humbly certify, That as Clerk in said Office, I receive 1 s. upon each Order which actually issues from said Court; and upon every Cause set down for hearing therein, a Sum of 4 s. 2 d. and also 3 s. 4 d. for every Search for all Records or other Documents of upwards of 10 years standing in said Office, and the Office of the Deputy Chief Remembrancer of said Court; which are the only Fees, Gratuities or Emoluments, which are received or demanded by me, as Clerk in the said Register's Office.

W^m R. STERLE,
Ck. in Register's Office.

Dated June 15th 1814.

(9.)—Filices

(9).—*Filacer, Equity Side.*

IN obedience to the prefixed Order, I certify, That for these eighteen years, for which period I have been Clerk in the Filacer's Office of the Equity Side the Exchequer, there has not been any Increase on the Fees payable to or received by the Chief Remembrancer or Filacer, nor has there been any increase to my knowledge, for these twenty years.

Rich^d Evans.

(10).—*Chief Remembrancer's*

IN obedience to the prefixed Order, I certify, That in the Office of the Secondary in the Chief Remembrancer's Office of his Majesty's Court of Exchequer in Ireland, there has not been any Increase whatsoever in the Fees demanded and received for the Chief Remembrancer or Secondary, within twenty years last past.

Dublin, 18th May 1814.

Ja^s Cathers.

(11).—*Register's Office.*

IN obedience to the prefixed Order, I certify, There has not been demanded or received in this Office, any Increase or Surcharge on account of the Chief Remembrancer or Register's Fees, within the space of the last twenty years. Given under my hand this 17th day of May 1814.

Jos. Price,
Clerk in the Reg^r Office.

(12).—*Examiner's*

IN obedience to the prefixed Order, I humbly certify, That I was appointed a Clerk in the Register's Office and Examiner of Witnesses to the Deputy Chief Remembrancer of the Equity Side of the Court of Exchequer in Ireland, in January 1810, and that previous to that period, I have no knowledge of any Increase of Fees having taken place in said Department within the last twenty years; save and except, that some years before my appointment, an Increase of 6d. upon each Order issued from said Court, did take place (as I have been informed) and was so added upon the Application and Memorial of a great number of the most respectable practising Attorneys, as a remuneration to my Predecessor for his trouble in assisting to make out said Orders. And I further humbly certify, that since my appointment, no Increase of Fees has been demanded or received in my Office from those theretofore received therein.

W^m R. Steele,
Exam^r to Dep^y Chief Rem^r
& Clerk in Register's Office.

May 17, 1814.

(13).—*Joint Ushers.*

THE Return of the Joint Ushers of the Court of Exchequer in Ireland, pursuant to the prefixed Order of the House of Commons, of the 2d May 1814.

We humbly certify, That we receive,

	s.	d.
For a Trial by Jury	2.	8½.
For a Witness sworn in Court	0.	6.
For swearing and opposing a Sheriff	3.	4.
For swearing an Attorney in Court	6.	0.
For a Decree pronounced in Court on the hearing of a long Cause	5.	11½.
For swearing the return of a Commission Sped in the Country	1.	1.
For swearing a Witness to Interrogatories	0.	5.
For swearing a Defendant to an Answer	0.	6½.

The Ushers are entitled to several Fees which they do not receive, exclusive of the Fees payable to the Marshal, as hereinafter mentioned.

The Office of Usher and Marshal of the Court of Exchequer is a Joint Office, and at the time when Charles Fleetwood, one of the present Ushers, came into Office, he, as Marshal of said Court, was entitled to and received certain Fees, on the commitment, keeping and discharge, of several persons committed to his custody as Marshal, and which Fees amounted to a considerable yearly sum. But the Court was pleased to make an Order several years ago, changing the practice in that particular; and no compensation being made to the Marshal for the loss thereby sustained, the Office of Marshal has been ever since wholly unproductive; no compensation has been made to the Usher and Marshal, as was done with respect to the other Officers of the Court, in consequence of the passing of the Act

Act of the 4th of His present Majesty, "To render the process of the Court of King's Bench, Common Pleas and Exchequer more beneficial," whereby the business of the Court of Exchequer was greatly diminished, and consequently the income of all its Officers; and on those grounds, and as the Office has been totally deprived of the several Fees payable to the Marshal, the small increase hereinbefore stated was made.

We further certify, That the following Fees were the ancient Fees claimed on swearing Affidavits.

On the Law Side:

	s.	d.
To the Lord Chief Baron	1	6
To his Clerk	0	6
To the Crier	0	2
To the Usher	0	6
	2	8

On the Equity Side:

	s.	d.
To the Lord Chief Baron	1	0
To his Clerk	0	6
To the Crier	0	2
To the Usher	0	6
	2	2

And that there is now taken on both sides of the Court a sum of 2 s. 1 d. and no more, out of which 5 d. is paid to the Lord Chief Baron's Clerk, and the Crier, in lieu of the Sum of 8 d. above mentioned, and which has been collected for his use by the Usher, pursuant to the directions of the Court some years ago; as the receipt of those Fees in any other way would be highly inconvenient to the Officer and Sutor. And we further certify, That the Lord Chief Baron's Clerk claims to be entitled to 6 d. on every Answer sworn before the Lord Chief Baron, and to the Sum of 2 s. 6 d. for the Return of every Commission for taking Depositions sworn before the Lord Chief Baron, and to 6 d. for every Defendant in every Schedule to an Answer sworn before the Lord Chief Baron; and that he does not receive any of those Fees, but in lieu thereof the Sum of 5 d. upon each of these matters is received by the Usher for him.

Chas. Fleetwood, Joint Usher.

(14.)—Common Pleas Office, Deputy Clerk.

IN obedience to the Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, of the 22 day of May, 1814, I, *John Pollock, Esquire*, Deputy Clerk of the Common Pleas Office of His Majesty's Court of Exchequer in Ireland, do humbly report, That there has not been any Increase of Rate of the Fees demanded and received in the said Office of the Common Pleas of the said Court of Exchequer, during the said period, on the several Proceedings in the same or any of them. All which I humbly certify this 19 May, 1814.

J. Pollock.

(15.)—First Deputy Clerk of the Common Pleas.

A RETURN of all Fees and Emoluments demanded and taken by *John Pollock, Esq.* First Deputy Clerk of the Common Pleas Office of the Exchequer in Ireland; pursuant to an Order of the Honourable House of Commons.

	£.	s.	d.
For Money deposited by Order of the Court (per pound)	0.	1.	0.
For every Certificate	0.	2.	8½.
For every Summons directed to the Party to proceed upon Orders of reference	0.	2.	8½.
For every Attendance of the Officer, upon each Summons	0.	11.	4½.
For Filing every Charge	0.	5.	0.
For every Report made thereon	0.	6.	8.
For Filing every Report	0.	5.	0.
For every Special Report on Matters of Account, or other complicated Matters of Fact, referred to the Officer by the Court, according to the length of time, labour, and number of attendances thereon, at the Rates before specified	—	—	—
For every Copy of the grand Pannel of the Freeholders of a County	1.	2.	9.
For every Attendance in Striking a Special Jury	0.	11.	4½.

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For the Examination and Certificate of every Person applying to be sworn and admitted an Attorney of the Court	£.	s.	d.
For every Certificate of a Person so applying, who has been previously admitted an Attorney of any other of the Superior Courts of Record	1.	2.	9.
For the Taxation and Certifying of Bills of Cost. The Fees demanded and taken under this head are variable, according to the nature and length of the Costs to be taxed; from 5s. 4d. 6s. 8d. 11s. 4d. or 13s. 4d. as the cases may be, to larger items, according to the number of Attendances that become necessary for such Taxations; and the number of Sheets contained in each of such Bills of Cost respectively; the number of Documents and Vouchers to be examined; and the time and labour necessarily expended in adjusting and taxing such Costs	0.	11.	4½.
For every Writ of Attachment	-	-	-
For every Proclamation of Rebellion	0.	1.	0.
	-	0.	3.

No Gratuity is demanded or taken in the said Office.

28 June 1844.

John Fallock,
First Dep. Clk. Pleas, Exchequer.

(16.)—Second Deputy Clerk of the Pleas Office.

A RETURN of all Fees and Emoluments demanded and taken by Joseph Farran, Esq. Second Deputy Clerk of the Pleas Office of the Exchequer in Ireland; pursuant to the Order of the Honourable House of Commons.

For filing each Notice	£.	s.	d.
For the Affidavit of service thereof	0.	2.	2.
For entering the Names of the Attornies in the Registry Book, each	0.	2.	2.
For every Attendance before a Judge in his Chamber, on Motion	0.	1.	1.
For Motions in Court, each	0.	6.	8.
For every Ejectment	0.	2.	8½.
For every Bail	0.	5.	11½.
For the Taxation of Bills of Cost; 3s. 4d. 6s. 8d. or 11s. 4d. as the case may be	0.	4.	10½.
For every Negative Certificate	-	-	-
For every other Certificate	0.	6.	8.
For preparing every Recognizance	0.	1.	6.
	0.	11.	4½.

Jos. Farran.

(17.)—Clerk of the Common Pleas, Exchequer.

A LIST of all Fees and Emoluments demanded and taken by the Clerk of the Common Pleas of His Majesty's Court of Exchequer in Ireland; pursuant to the Order of the Honourable House of Commons.

	Fees payable to the Clerk of the Pleas, by immemorial Usage and Custom.		
	£.	s.	d.
For every Writ of Capias Quominus	0.	0.	6½.
For every Writ of Subpoena	0.	0.	6½.
For every Writ of Inquiry	0.	2.	0.
For every Writ of Subpoena ad Testificandum	0.	0.	0.
For every Writ of Habere Facias Possessionem	0.	2.	0.
For every Writ of Fieri Facias	0.	2.	0.
For every Writ of Privilege	0.	5.	0.
For every Writ of Superadess	0.	5.	0.
For every Writ of Capias ad Satisfaciendum	0.	5.	0.
For every Writ of Attachment	0.	2.	0.
For every Commission of Rebellion	0.	4.	0.
For every Writ of Sergeant at Arms	0.	3.	0.
For every Writ of Habeas Corpus	0.	3.	4.
For filing every Plea	0.	1.	6.
For every Imparance or Continuance	0.	1.	6.
For entering every Order in Court, except rule to plead	0.	1.	6.
For the copy of every Declaration, if under 3 sheets	0.	1.	6.
If above, per sheet	0.	0.	6.
For every Assignment of a Judgment pursuant to the Statute	0.	6.	8.
For the copy of every Order in Court	0.	1.	6.

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For every Rule to plead - - - - -	0.	0.	8.
For every Copy thereof - - - - -	0.	0.	4.
For drawing every Bill of Cost - - - - -	0.	1.	0.
For filing every Bill of Cost - - - - -	0.	1.	0.
For every Distringas Juratores - - - - -	0.	2.	0.
For entering every Appearance - - - - -	0.	0.	6.
For entering every Recognizance de adjudicatu solvendis - - - - -	0.	1.	6.
For entering every Recognizance not for the King - - - - -	0.	2.	6.
For the Copy of said Recognizance and Condition - - - - -	0.	1.	6.
For every Writ of Seiser Facias - - - - -	0.	2.	0.
For the making up every Record, if but one Roll - - - - -	0.	6.	8.
If above one Roll, then for every Roll each - - - - -	0.	5.	0.
For entering every Judgment - - - - -	0.	3.	4.
For drawing every Special Verdict or Postea, per sheet - - - - -	0.	0.	8.
For the Copy thereof, per sheet - - - - -	0.	0.	4.
For the Writ of Nisi Prius, with the transcript of the Record thereupon, if but one Roll - - - - -	0.	6.	8.
If above, per Roll - - - - -	0.	5.	0.
For entering every general Verdict upon a Postea - - - - -	0.	2.	6.
For entering every Confession, Inquisition and Report on Record - - - - -	0.	1.	0.
For every Warrant of Attorney - - - - -	0.	0.	4.
If upon Cognovit - - - - -	0.	0.	6.
For filing every Affidavit - - - - -	0.	1.	6.
For the Copy of every Affidavit, if under three sheets - - - - -	0.	0.	6.
If above three sheets, (per sheet) - - - - -	0.	5.	0.
For removing a Record for every Roll - - - - -	0.	6.	8.
For enrolling every Writ of Error - - - - -	0.	1.	0.
For entering a Dismiss or Non Pros - - - - -	0.	3.	8.
For entering Satisfaction acknowledged - - - - -	0.	3.	8.
For entering the Warrant of Attorney, of a Sheriff for a year, according to the Statute - - - - -	0.	3.	4.
For every Writ of Elegit - - - - -	0.	5.	0.
For the Certificate of a Verdict or Nonsuit upon Trial by leading Order - - - - -	0.	6.	8.
For every Writ of Venditione Exponas - - - - -	0.	5.	0.
For every Writ of Venue facias Juratores - - - - -	0.	2.	0.
For every Writ of Procelendo - - - - -	0.	5.	0.
For the giving a Discharge to the Marshal, if any committed - - - - -	0.	1.	6.
For the taking a private Verdict at the Judges Chamber - - - - -	0.	2.	6.
For the Search of any Record - - - - -	0.	1.	6.
For the Copy of every Judgment by Cognovit - - - - -	0.	5.	0.
If other Judgments, per sheet - - - - -	0.	0.	6.
For marking every Execution pursuant to the Statute - - - - -	0.	1.	0.
For every Letter Missive - - - - -	0.	1.	0.
For every Distringas ad Respondendum - - - - -	0.	2.	0.
For the Docket of a Judgment pursuant to the Statute - - - - -	0.	0.	4.
For entering every leading Order - - - - -	0.	2.	6.

John Pollock,

First Dep. Clerk Pleas, Exchequer.

28 June 1814.

(18).—Filers and Clerks of the Pleas Office, Exchequer.

A RETURN of all Fees and Emoluments demanded and taken by John Carey and Henry Carey, as Filers and Clerks of the Pleadings in the Pleas Office of His Majesty's Court of Exchequer in Ireland.

	s.	d.
For every sheet of a Copy of a Pleading or Affidavit containing 72 words - - - - -	0.	2.
For every Certificate - - - - -	1.	6.
For every Search and Attendance for an Affidavit, if filed within six years - - - - -	2.	0.
If filed above six years - - - - -	2.	6.
For every Search for a Pleading, if filed above three years - - - - -	3.	6.
For every Attendance in Court with a Record - - - - -	6.	8.

The above are the Fees that have been demanded and received in the Office, for upwards of forty years, to which no Increase whatever has been made.

John Carey.
Henry Carey.

(19).—Attachment

(19).—Attachment Office, Exchequer.

A RETURN of all Fees and Emoluments demanded and taken by *William Haughton*, Clerk in the Attachment Office of the Pleas Side of His Majesty's Court of Exchequer in Ireland. Pursuant to Order.

	s.	d.
For every first Attachment - - - - -	0.	11.
For every Alias ditto - - - - -	0.	6.
For every Pluries ditto - - - - -	0.	6.
For every Proclamation of Rebellion - - - - -	0.	6.
For every Commission of Rebellion - - - - -	1.	9.
For every Attachment to the Sergeant at Arms - - - - -	1.	7.
For every Search - - - - -	2.	8½.
For every Certificate of no Appearance - - - - -	1.	6.
For Filing every Writ of Capias ad Respondendum - - - - -	1.	0.
For the Copy of every Affidavit - - - - -	1.	0.

William Haughton,
Clerk of the Attachments.

(20).—Summoner and Clerk of the Estreats.

PURSUANT to an Order of the Right Honourable and Honourable the House of Commons, of the 2d of May instant, received by me on the 13th instant, which states, the House was moved, "That the Order made upon the 31st day of March last, That there be laid before said House a Return of any Increase of Rate of the Fees demanded and received in the several Superior Courts of Justice, Civil and Ecclesiastical, in The United Kingdom, by the Judges and Officers of such Courts, during Twenty Years, on the several Proceedings in the same, together with a Statement of the Authority under which such Increase has taken place, might be read;" and the same being read, it was ordered, That the said Return should be laid before said House forthwith;—

I humbly certify, as Summoner and Clerk of the Estreats of His Majesty's Court of Exchequer in Ireland, which situation I have held under Letters Patent from His present Majesty, dated in January 1796, That there has not been any Increase of Rate of Fees whatever demanded or received by me during that period, and I believe there had been no Increase of Fees by *Nicholas Morriison*, Esquire, deceased, my predecessor, who held the same situation for many years. Given under my hand this 16th day of May, 1814.

James Dance.

(21).—Clerk of the Errors.

THE Return of *Sir James Galbraith*, Baronet, Clerk of the Errors in the Court of Exchequer Chamber in Ireland.

In obedience to the Order of the Honourable House of Commons, dated *Lane*, 2^d die *Majj* 1814, whereby it is stated, that the House was moved "That the Order made upon the 31st day of March last, That there should be laid before the House a Return of any Increase of the Rate of Fees demanded and received in the several Superior Courts of Justice, Civil or Ecclesiastical, in The United Kingdom, by the Judges and Officers of such Courts, during Twenty Years, on the several Proceedings in the same, together with a Statement of the Authority under which such Increase has taken place, might be read;" and the same having been read, it was ordered, That the said Return should be laid before the House forthwith;—The said Clerk of the Errors humbly certifies and returns to the House, That the said recited Order of the 31st of March, or any copy thereof, was never served upon him, nor did he hear thereof until Friday the 13th of May inst, when he received a copy of the said Order, dated the 2d of May, from one of the Deputy Prothonotaries of the Court of King's Bench.

And the said Clerk of the Errors doth further certify and return to this Honourable House, That by an Act passed in the Parliament of Ireland, in the 40th year of His present Majesty's Reign, the Court of Exchequer Chamber theretofore existing in Ireland, was abolished, and a new Court of Exchequer Chamber created by the said Statute, with powers to His Majesty, by His Royal Letters Patent under the Great Seal of Ireland, to appoint a Clerk of the Errors of the said Court. That after the passing of the said Act, His Majesty was graciously pleased, by His Letters Patent under the Great Seal of Ireland, to appoint me to be Clerk of the Errors of the said Court, with all Fees Profits and Perquisites thereunto belonging. That since the passing of the said Patent, I have taken and received the same Fees as had been payable to the Clerks of the Errors of the former Court of Exchequer Chamber before the passing of the said Act; and no other or greater Fees have been demanded or received by any Officer of the said Court, to my knowledge or belief, within twenty years last past.—All which I humbly certify this 16th day of May 1814.

Jas Galbraith,
Clerk of the Errors.

(22.)—Pursuivant of the Court of Exchequer.

THE Return of the Pursuivant of His Majesty's Court of Exchequer in Ireland, pursuant to the Order of the Right Honourable and Honourable the House of Commons, bearing date the 2d day of May 1814, requiring a Return of any Increase of the Rate of Fees demanded and received in the several Superior Courts of Justice, Civil and Ecclesiastical, in The United Kingdom, by the Judges and Officers of such Courts, during twenty years, on the several Proceedings in the same, together with a Statement of the Authority under which such Increase has taken place:—

There has been no Increase of the Rate of Fees demanded or received in the said Office of Pursuivant, during the last twenty years, on any Proceedings in said Court.

Daniel Beere,
Deputy Pursuivant.

(23.)—Crier of the Court of Exchequer.

I humbly certify, That I became Crier of the Court of Exchequer, and Clerk to the Lord Chief Baron, in October 1805, and that during the time I have been in Office, I have not made any Increase of Rate of the Fees demanded and received by me, but have regulated the same by those taken by my Predecessors in my Office, as far as lay in my power; and I do not know, nor have I any reason to believe, that they have been increased for the last twenty years.

I further certify, That the Usher of the Court of Exchequer receives 5*d.* for me upon each Affidavit; and also 5*d.* on Answers, Schedules thereto, and Returns to Commissions, taken before the Lord Chief Baron, which I conceive is much under the ancient Fees payable to me, and which I receive without prejudice to the rights annexed to my respective Offices; all which I certify this 20th day of May 1814.

Carus Smyth O'Grady.

THE PREROGATIVE COURT IN IRELAND.

Registrar.

THE Deputy Register of the Court of Prerogative in Ireland, in obedience to the prefixed Orders of the Honourable House of Commons, humbly certifies and returns to said Honourable House, That the said Order of the 31st day of March, or any Copy thereof, was never served on him or on the Judge, or any Officer of the said Court, to the knowledge of said Deputy Register; and that the Copy of the said Order of the 2d day of May was received by said Deputy Register, on the 20th day of May instant, and not before.

The said Deputy Register humbly certifies and returns to said Honourable House, in obedience to said Order, That there has been no Increase of Rate of Fees demanded or received in the said Court of Prerogative, by the Judge or Officers of said Court, within the last Twenty years.

23d May 1814.

John Hankier, D. Reg^r.

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FEEs IN COURTS OF JUSTICE.

RETURNS to Orders of The Honorable House of Commons, of 31 March & 2 May 1814:—for

A Return of any INCREASE of Rate of the FEES demanded and received in the several Superior Courts of Justice, Civil or Ecclesiastical, in The United Kingdom, by the Judges and Officers of such Courts, during twenty Years, on the several Precedings in the same; together with a Statement of the Authority under which such Increase has taken place.

I. ENGLAND.—II. SCOTLAND:

III. IRELAND.

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